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Advertising Journal.

WEST PITTSBURGH BRIDGE.

Allegheny County Prison.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

[Special to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

SENATE.

LOCAL OPTION LIQUOR LAW.

A large number of petitions from every section of the Commonwealth, especially Allegheny, Armstrong, Westmoreland, Butler, &c., for the local option liquor law were presented.

WEST BRANCH RAILROAD.

Bills Introduced.—By Mr. BUCKALEW, incorporating the North and West branch Railway Company, to run from Northumberland to Williamsport via Bloomsburg; capital, one million, together with other bills of no general or local importance to Western Pennsylvania.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Mr. ALLEN introduced and endeavored to pass the bill extending the jurisdiction of the justices of the peace in Warren county to three hundred dollars. It was opposed by Messrs. White, Buckalew and Rutan, who feared the general principle involved.

Mr. RUTAN moved a postponement. Carried.

THE PRIVATE CALENDAR,

embracing over two hundred bills, was considered. Among those acted on were the following Senate bills: Erecting parts of the Reserve and McClure townships into the district of Allegheny city for school and election purposes. Mr. Graham had the bill amended to require the consent of two-thirds of the property holders in the district, instead of thirty, and providing that the bill shall not go into effect till July 1st next, and then it passed.

The supplement for the

PITTSBURGH BRIDGE COMPANY,

changing the name of the Tripartite Bridge Company, authorizing its bonds and allowing the construction of an inclined plane up Coal Hill, was passed.

Restoring the

SPRING ELECTIONS

for ward, borough, township and election officers in Cambria, Indiana and Jefferson counties, was opposed by Messrs. Allen, Brooks, Turner and Rutan, and favored by Mr. White. Postponed.

Incorporating the

FARMERS' BANK OF PITTSBURGH.

Joseph Marshall and others are corporators. The bill allows the company to loan, a month on loans in small sums; not more than twelve per cent. of profits shall be given to stockholders, the balance to be distributed to charitable objects every winter in Pittsburgh. Mr. White opposed the rate of interest demanded. Mr. Davis, Rutan and Dalzell opposed the bill. Mr. Anderson explained that the bill was intended to get out of the control of the cormorants of Pittsburgh. The Jewish pawn brokers were all opposed to the bill on this account. Mr. Graham defended the bill, but had it laid over.

The supplement for the

NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK OF ALLEGHENY,

authorizing an amendment by Mr. Evans striking out the clause authorizing more than legal interest.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Vacating portions of Lest's & Mason's lanes in Beaver borough. Passed.

Making the rate of interest of the loan by the Fourth Ward School Directors of Allegheny City eight per cent., and exempting the same from State taxation. Passed.

Authorizing Liberty school district of Pittsburgh to borrow fifty thousand dollars, and sell all the real estate not necessary to hold, and levy a special annual tax of five thousand dollars for building purposes. Passed.

Authorizing the City Superintendent of the common schools of Pittsburgh to hold five annual Teachers' Institutes, of five days each, instead of one Annual Institute. Passed.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

The following House bills came up:

Authorizing the Allegheny County Court to designate a new weekly advertising journal.

Mr. GRAHAM moved postponement for the present. Carried.

Reviving the charter for

A BRIDGE OVER THE OHIO,

from Woods' Run to Sheridan and Temperanceville at Saw Mill Run to Allegheny City. Passed.

Incorporating the

DIAMOND SAVINGS BANK

of Pittsburgh passed, with an amendment by Mr. Evans, striking out the clause authorizing more than legal interest.

Supplement for

ALLEGHENY COUNTY PRISON,

authorizing the Western County Commissioners to contract with the Allegheny Workhouse for the keeping of convicts whose terms are not more that sixty days. Passed.

DRAINAGE.

Extending the act of 1863 for drainage of the wet and spongy lands to coal and other mines in Indiana county. Passed.

Fixing the rate per cent. of

BOROUGH TAX

in East Conemaugh, Cambria county, at ten mills. Passed.

Repealing

CONSTABLES' RETURNS

to courts in Fayette county. Laid over.

TEA COMPANY.

By Mr. WHITE, opposing the incorporating of the Tuiyuna Tea Importing Company of Pittsburgh.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House was not in session.

The joint Committee of Conference on the Allegheny Salary bill will probably not meet till Monday evening.

INDIANA.

A Dead Lock—Resignation of Republican Members—A Democratic Fraud.

INDIANAPOLIS, February 23.—Considerable excitement is caused here to-day by the resignation this morning of thirty-four Republican members of the House, which prevents further legislation in the session. The present session is the attempt of the Democratic majority to pass a bill to re-district the State, in violation of the Constitution, which provides that the State shall not be re-districted oftener than every ten years. The last re-districting was four years ago.

Lieutenant Governor Cumback expresses the opinion that it takes twenty-six of the members of each House to constitute a quorum, and will not recognize anything that the remaining members may do. The speaker of the House also gave the same opinion, this morning after receiving the Governor's message announcing the resignation of the Republican members of the House. Some of the Democratic members differ with the President, and advocate continuing the legislation. The appropriation bills, tax bill and most of the necessary legislation was disposed of before the resignations of members of the House resigned. There is quite a commotion in political circles to-night, and a lively time is anticipated to-morrow. The constitutional limits of the session expires on the 6th of March, and there is not time to elect members to fill the places of those who have resigned.

BOSTON.

Massachusetts Temperance Move.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

BOSTON, Feb. 23, 1871.

The friends of temperance in Massachusetts, having in view the formation of a society whose work is to be of an exclusively moral and religious character, met at Tremont Temple this morning. There was a very large attendance, which included many ladies and the most prominent temperance men of the State. The meeting, numbering about fifteen hundred, Governor Clafin was present and expressed his sympathy very heartily. Rev. Edward E. Hale was elected President, and the names of numerous well known gentlemen were on the list of Vice Presidents. The convention adjourned sine die at 5 o'clock P. M.

The recent reported financial irregularities in the Boston National Bank, which led to Webster's removal, North Hanks, E.C. Smith, Cashier of the Webster Bank, is charged to be in default between that bank and the Boston, and both the banks are amply secured from loss.

41ST CONGRESS.

(THIRD SESSION.)

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23, 1871.

SENATE.

THE MCGARRAHAN CLAIM.

The House joint resolution relating to Paroche Grande, being the McGarrahan claim, was received from the House and temporarily disposed of, being laid on the table.

THE TEXAS PACIFIC RAILROAD

bill was also received from the House, and action postponed till the bill was printed.

EMBEZZLING BANK OFFICERS.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Finance Committee, reported back the House bill to extend the provisions of the 52th section of the Banking act of June 18th, punishing embezzlement by bank officers to banks organized under the provisions of the Banking Act of February, 1863. Passed.

On motion of Mr. CAMERON, the Senate resumed the consideration of the

INTERNATIONAL CELEBRATION

bill, which was discussed without action until after the expiration of the morning hour, but without anding renewed efforts of the Pennsylvania Senators Scott and Cameron to secure a vote.

Mr. CAMERON gave notice of his intention to move to take up the bill in the morning hour to-morrow, and to press its consideration until it was disposed of.

Mr. STEWART doubted whether Philadelphia could furnish the same facilities for a great exposition that were possessed by New York.

Mr. THURMAN desired to know more of the character of the proposed international exposition before voting upon the question.

During the morning hour the following business was transacted:

On motion of Mr. WILSON the Senate bill to amend the

BOUNTY LAWS

was passed. It is as follows:

That all soldiers who were mustered into the service of the United States for three years between May 4th and July 22d, 1861, and who were honorably discharged before serving two years by reason of disabilities contracted in the service, are entitled to receive $100 bounty.

Mr. WILSON explained that the aggregate expenditure of the bill just passed would be about $450,000, and was designed to carry into effect the decision of the Supreme Court. He had failed in his efforts to secure action upon a similar bill passed by the House at the last session, but which had, with other matters. This measure presented the simple question of additional bounty.

Mr. COLE, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the

ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL,

with amendments.

AUSTRALIAN AND ASIATIC COMMERCE.

Mr. CONKLING, from the Committee on Commerce, reported with amendments, the bill to facilitate commerce between the United States and China, Japan and countries of Asia, incorporating Thos. A. Scott, Benjamin Eggleston, James F. Wilson, R. R. Vanvalkenburg and others, as the Asiatic Commercial Company for the purpose of carrying on a general mercantile and shipping business with, and commercial agencies in China, Japan and other Asiatic countries. The amendmen s make some changes in incorporators, and providing that the United States shall be liable to any person or foreign power for any matter growing out of the enactment of the bill.

REMOVAL OF THE CAPITOL.

Mr. PRATT presented the joint resolution of the Indiana Legislature in favor of the removal of the Capitol to the Mississippi River, read and ordered to be printed and laid on the table.

Mr. CHANDLER presented concurrent resolutions of the Michigan Legislature for such action as will extend the operation of the

EXTRADITION TREATY

now existing between the British and the United States governments so as to include a much greater variety of criminal offences against the laws of both governments than is now provided for by the Ashburton treaty.

Mr. HOWARD, obtaining leave for a brief explanation, said that years ago he had called the special attention of the Senate of States to the subject referred to in a resolution of the Michigan Legislature, and made known to him the inconvenience arising from month to month from the fact that we had no extradition treaty by which criminals of a certain class can be brought to justice. The resolutions ordered to be printed and referred.

CINCINNATI AND NEWPORT BRIDGE.

Mr. SHERMAN moved to take up the bill to suspend the construction of the Cincinnati and Newport bridge. Not agreed to—Ayes 22, nays 29. He gave notice of his intention to renew the motion.

SPIRIT TAX.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Finance Committee, reported back Mr. Cole's bill for the relief of distillers of brandy from grapes. He said this bill was not in the Committee, but the Committee was disposed to consider the subject of changing the law in regard to the spirit tax at this session. The bill was indefinitely postponed.

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The remainder of the session was occupied in considering the

INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL

and the disposal of various amendments reported from the Committee on Indian Affairs. The amendments elicited protracted discussions of the merits and demerits of the present Indian policy. A vote upon the amendment at 6:30 P. M. demonstrated that a quorum was not present.

ABSENTEES.

Mr. COLE, Chairman of the committee in charge of the appropriation bills, moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to compel the attendance of absentees. Mr. Thurman, referring to the fact that forty Senators were present, said this motion would not compel the bill before the Senate been a party measure. As it involved simply voting the number of Senators were present He moved to adjourn. An informal discussion ensued with a view of fixing the hour at which the bill should be disposed of to-morrow, but no conclusion was reached. Pending the question of adjournment Mr. Cole's motion, when Mr. Nye raised a question of order, that it was not competent for the Senate to compel the attendance of Senators, except upon the first day.

Mr. THURMAN expressed the opinion that if the Sergeants-at-Arms should undertake to arrest and bring in the Senate, he would be liable to an action at law. Mr. Cole's motion then stated the form of direction to the Sergeant-at-Arms to invite attendance of absentees.

Mr. Cole's motion prevailed, and the Sergeant-at-Arms was furnished with a list of absentees members, and directed by the Vice President to notify them that their presence was desired.

At 5:20 a vote upon the motion to adjourn showed that a quorum was present.

The remaining amendments to the bill was then disposed of and the bill passed yeas 28, nays 2.

Mr. CONKLING then moved to take up the House bill to guard

PURITY OF ELECTIONS.

Amendatory of the enforcement act of last session, in order to make it the first business in order for to-morrow.

Mr. BAYARD moved to adjourn. Lost. Messrs. Casserly, Bayard and Hamilton, of Texas, and Goldthwaite, the only Democratic members present, did not answer, the purpose of defeating the motion to adjourn. Mr. Conkling called attention to the fact, and personally named each of the absentees. Mr. Casserly, Mr. Carpenter then ceased to be read by the Secretary the Senate rule requiring members to express their absence when called by the Chair upon a vote by yeas and nays, unless excused by the Senate. Mr. Thurman raised the point that the roll having been called, no subsequent excuses could be entered until the result of the vote was announced.

The speaker overruled the point. At Mr. Conkling's suggestion the names of the Democratic Senators were again called, when Messrs. Bayard and Johnston, after receiving notice that subpœnas in was their duty to answer, voted no. Messrs. Casserly and Thurman made no reply. The result of the vote was then announced, nays 31, yeas 29. Two votes less than a quorum. After further discussion the motion to adjourn at eleven o'clock showed 3 more than were required to constitute a quorum. Conkling's motion was then carried—yeas 33, nays 4, when the Senate went up and read.

Mr. CONKLING gave notice that he would insist that the bill should keep its place as the first business in order to-morrow [Friday] afternoon after the expiration of the morning hour, and that no bill or subject was to be allowed to stand by it until it was concluded before the Senate adjourned.

At 11:30 the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

BILLS PASSED.

The House passed the bill relative to taking depositions to be used in Courts of the United States; also the bill for the extension of time for the completion of the Portage and Lake Superior Railroad; also the bill to regulate prescribing the oath to be taken by senator elect Miller, of Georgia.

IMPROVEMENT OF UNITED STATES CAPITAL.

Mr. COBURN presented a joint resolution, which was adopted unanimously by the Legislature of Indiana, instructing their Members of Congress to vote against the appropriation for any improvements hereafter on the City of Washington, and in favor of the removal of the capital.

NATIONAL DEFENCES.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the bill making appropriations for the construction, preservation and repairs of certain fortifications and other works of defence. Mr. Farnsworth advocated striking out the appropriation for Fort Pulaski. Mr. Blaine, of Maine, characterized the bill as the Committee on appropriations thought it more economy to expend a little more money upon the fortifications and thereby avoid a war. The Committee had cut down the estimates of the Department 40 per cent.

After some discussion, and usual objections by Mr. Farnsworth, the bill passed nearly in the same shape as originally reported.

ALBANY.

Legal Decision in Railroad Matters.

ALBANY, February 23.—In the case of Fish vs. the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad Company, the Supreme Court has granted a motion to dismiss the appeal with ten dollars costs. A similar order has been made in the case of Fish vs. Hamilton against the Delaware, Lackawana and Western Railroad Company, without costs.

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Internal Revenue Tax on Railroad Dividends—Bowen, the Alleged Bigamist.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23, 1871.

RAILROAD DIVIDEND TAX.

The argument was re-opened to-day before Commissioner Pleasonton, in the case of the New York Central Railroad scrip dividend Tax Senator Carpenter and Horace F. Clark appearing in behalf of the company. The papers upon which the arguments were based were submitted to the Commissioner, who after consideration of the points presented, will deliver his opinion.

SUIT FOR REVENUE TAX.

Assistant United States District Attorney Bancroft has begun suit against the Ocean National Bank of this city, to recover ten thousand dollars penalties for not making full returns of dividends, it being alleged that this bank, in common with other banks heretofore prosecuted, has illegally deducted from the dividend returns the amounts paid for municipal taxes.

COAL.

When Mr. Shumaker endeavored to introduce his joint resolution to-day, Mr. Brooks of New York wished to have read in that connection a telegram received from New York, as follows: "Coal twenty dollars per ton. Cannot you inaugurate an immediate movement to abolish the duty?"

BOWEN, THE ALLEGED BIGAMIST.

In the Police Court to-day, it was stated by Assistant District Attorney Harrington, that C. C. Bowen, charged by Mrs. Francis Hicks with bigamy, had waived a preliminary examination. This is the second case of bigamy. The accused was held in bail of $5,000.

GENERAL HALPINE.

The Fenian General Halpine arrived in this city from Boston yesterday, and met an enthusiastic reception. He is staying with his fellow-exiles at Sweeney's Hotel.

GERMAN IMMIGRATION.

German immigration to this port has fallen off 30,000 as compared with last year.

SAN DOMINGO.

Preliminary Matters.

[San Domingo Correspondence of New York Associated Press, per Steamship Tybee.]

SAN DOMINGO CITY, Feb. 14.

The Commission met last evening and exchanged views in regard to the work remaining to be done and the propriety of forwarding a preliminary report. The investigation so far as made, and particularly the result of the past few days, begins to open wider than was expected at the first week, and it was agreed to name the middle of April as the time of arrival in Washington. Upon the question of a

BRIEF REPORT

by mail, it was decided not to send; in fact, considerable information of importance was obtained might materially modify any report made up from what had been only partly considered. The Secretary of State was addressed in a brief letter, giving an

OUTLINE OF THE WORK

already done, a list of the expeditions sent into the interior, together with the objects of each. The date named above is also communicated as the probable time of reaching home.

EXPLORING PARTIES.

The parties now out officially are the following: Professor Blake with the geological party and Professor Crane for the Commission, are on their way across the Island to Puerto Plata. Professor Ward is exploring La Vega. General Sigel has gone to Azua. Professors Marvin and Miller have gone to the Samana peninsula with a view of examining the copper region. Dr. Parry is making a thorough botanical examination by the Asa Gray system, having medical researches in various directions. The health of the whole party remaining here is excellent, while that of the bulk of testimony taken indicated a very

FAVORABLE CONDITION

of affairs. Certain information, the exact character of which the Commission does not make known, has been elicited, which in the minds of some of its members introduces questions which earlier testimony did not promise.

HAYTIEN COMPLICATION

is occupying the serious attention of the Commission, and the intention now is to devote much time to same, from the opinion that was at first agreed upon. Full transcripts of such government records as relate to loans, concessions, grants of land &c., have been taken—they are very numerous. The expectation is that the Commission will sail from here about the week. Shocks of earthquake were felt at Hayti on the 17 and 19th inst.

SOUTH AMERICA.

THE MONTEVIDEAN REVOLUTION.

LISBON, February 23.—News from Rio Janeiro to February 2d has been received. Affairs at Montevideo are improving. The revolutionists have been defeated and are almost ended.

MARINE NEWS.

The steamship Ville de Paris, about which some anxiety has been felt, arrived safe at Brest on the 6th instant.

LONDON, February 24.—Ship City of Kingston from Philadelphia January 19, for Hamburg with cargo of petroleum went ashore on the Vie flats off Dunkirk on 17th. The vessel is a total loss. The cargo of one thousand casks has been saved.

HAMBURG, February 24.—The steamship Halsatia from New York arrived. She cut through ice in the Elbe, and navigation to this port is reopened.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, February 23.—Consols 92. Bonds quiet: 5-20s '62, 91; do '65, 90¾; do '67, 89¾@87¾; Erie, 18¾; Illinois, 108¾; Atlantic 29¾.

FRANKFORT, February 23—5-20's '62, 95¼@95¾.

LIVERPOOL, February 23.—Cotton dull but unchanged: middling upland 7¾d; middling New Orleans 7¾d. Breadstuffs—Red winter wheat 10s 6d@10s 10d; winter 11s 2d. Flour 27s 6d. Provisions dull but unchanged.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The New Ministry.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

FREDERICKTOWN, February 23.—The Governor-General is formed as follows: G. T. Hathaway, Provincial Secretary. Hon. M. King, Attorney General, Hon. Mr. Kelly, Chief Commissioner, Board of Works, Stevenson Surveyor General. Messrs. Care, Covers and Jones are also members, but at present are without office. To-day the House was prorogued by the Lieutenant Governor to meet again on the 5th of April. Considerable excitement prevails in political circles, and much mutual recrimination is indulged in by members of both sides of the House.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK.

FROM EUROPE.

The Sky Clears!

PEACE CERTAIN!

Terms Known to the Powers!

THE ENTRY NEXT SUNDAY!

THIERS OPPOSES!

Popular Opposition in Paris!

RESIGNATION OF TROCHU!

The Indemnity—France Poor!

RAILWAYS RESTORED!

A New Future for France!

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

GERMANY AND FRANCE.

THIERS AND THE EMPEROR.

VERSAILLES, VIA LONDON, February 23.—The Emperor received Thiers to-day. General Chanzy was present at the interview.

PEACE CERTAIN.

Peace is considered certain, though the papers have not been signed.

THE ENTRY INTO PARIS.

The Germans will probably enter Paris on Sunday next, but without triumphal ceremonies, and they will not remain long in the city.

TERMS FOR PEACE.

PARIS, February 23.—The *Patrie* says Bismarck has communicated the conditions of peace to the Cabinets of Vienna, London and St. Petersburg.

Paris is tranquil.

GERMAN ENTRY.

Information has been received from Versailles that it is determined that a portion of the German army shall be marched through Paris on the 1st of March. The city authorities vigorously to oppose this, warning the Germans of the responsibility they will incur. A proclamation was posted on Monday in the students' quarter, appealing to the inhabitants to make a last struggle to avoid the Prussians enter the city.

WAR INDEMNITY.

The *Moniteur* says the Germans demand the immediate payment of two million francs by the Department in which any person is killed, the payment of the remaining eight millions of the contribution. If the *Moniteur* justifies Germany's demand for such a large sum, a million of thalers, recalls the example of America, and adds that France will soon recover from the present prostration provided she abandons useless wars.

RATHER CONTRADICTORY.

LONDON, February 23.—A Paris dispatch of the 23d says nothing is known of the Prussian terms of peace.

The *Figaro* states that the terms are conciliatory.

MINISTERIAL MOVEMENTS.

BORDEAUX, February 23.—Minister Picard has arrived here. Henri Rochefort has gone to Paris. No dispatch with regard to negotiations for peace has been received. President Thiers. The Prince de Joinville and Duke d'Aumale have written to the Government that they will wait for the decision of the Assembly on the legality of their elections before presenting themselves to take seats in the Chamber.

FRANCE INSOLVENT.

Nothing positive is known as to the conditions of peace. A financial journal says it is understood that France will ask for an indemnity of eight milliards of francs, or half that. Thiers and Favre are at Versailles to-day.

EXODUS OF GERMAN OFFICIALS.

BERLIN, February 23.—The Prussian Cross *Gazette* says Emperor William will return to Berlin as soon as the preliminaries of peace are settled, and Bismarck and Von Moltke will follow at a later day.

FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

The *Moniteur*, Bordeaux, announces that the armistice has been prolonged until the 26th at midnight.

It also denies the reports respecting the Prussian demand, and says that Bismarck and Thiers are in absolute accord.

A dispatch from Dieppe, dated the 23d, states that the Eighth German Corps, belonging to the army of the Crown Prince of Mecklenburgers, is arriving there. If peace is signed they will embark for Hamburg.

It also denies the report that the communication of all railways leading to Paris has been restored.

General Trochu has resigned at the request of Thiers.

The disturbance at Nice was promptly suppressed.

The *Gaulois* says Lord Lyons, the British Ambassador, and Chevalier Nigara, the Italian Minister, will return to Paris. Lord Granville Thiers the moral support of their Governments in the peace negotiations.

The moats at Arras have been filled with water for defense.

ENGLAND.

INDIAN FINANCES.

In the House of Commons to-night Mr. Gladstone moved the appointment of a Select Committee of Inquiry on the Indian finances. The motion gave rise to an animated debate. Mr. Gladstone urged a joint inquiry in both Houses. Motion agreed to.

TEST BILL.

The University Test bill was passed. The bill levelled against Catholics assuming ecclesiastical titles passed to second reading by a majority of 86.

[Special to the New York World.]

DISAFFECTION IN IRELAND.

LONDON, February 23.—Parliament was startled to-night by a declaration of Lord Harrington, that disaffection in Ireland existed to such an extent that it would be necessary to point a secret committee to ascertain the causes. The Tories are exultant at this evidence of failure in the Irish policy. The Government of England is negotiating for the purchase of the Dutch settlements on the Gold Coast Africa, for $10,000,000 sterling.

THE ROYAL PAUPER.

LONDON, February 23.—The House of Lords to-day passed the bill granting the annuity to the Princess Louise.

ENGLAND WAKING UP.

Lord Carnarvon announced measures for the national defence, and argued the necessity for such preparation in view of the astonishing rapidity of the Prussian campaign in France. Lord Northbrook defended the administration of the Navy. The Duke of Cambridge also made a speech in defence of the War Office. He approved of the large reserve of men in the Army and Navy service. Earl Richmond sustained the practice of procuring commissions in the army by purchase.

CUBA.

THE MORNET—EARTHQUAKE.

HAVANA, February 23.—The Spanish war steamer Isabel Catolica, from Port Au Prince arrived at Santiago de Cuba to-day, and reports the arrival there of the Morney wrecked. Shocks of earthquake were felt at Hayti on the 17 and 19th inst.

SOUTH AMERICA.

THE MONTEVIDEAN REVOLUTION.

LISBON, February 23.—News from Rio Janeiro to February 2d has been received. Affairs at Montevideo are improving. The revolutionists have been defeated and are almost ended.

MARINE NEWS.

The steamship Ville de Paris, about which some anxiety has been felt, arrived safe at Brest on the 6th instant.

LONDON, February 24.—Ship City of Kingston from Philadelphia January 19, for Hamburg with cargo of petroleum went ashore on the Vie flats off Dunkirk on 17th. The vessel is a total loss. The cargo of one thousand casks has been saved.

HAMBURG, February 24.—The steamship Halsatia from New York arrived. She cut through ice in the Elbe, and navigation to this port is reopened.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, February 23.—Consols 92. Bonds quiet: 5-20s '62, 91; do '65, 90¾; do '67, 89¾@87¾; Erie, 18¾; Illinois, 108¾; Atlantic 29¾.

FRANKFORT, February 23—5-20's '62, 95¼@95¾.

LIVERPOOL, February 23.—Cotton dull but unchanged: middling upland 7¾d; middling New Orleans 7¾d. Breadstuffs—Red winter wheat 10s 6d@10s 10d; winter 11s 2d. Flour 27s 6d. Provisions dull but unchanged.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The New Ministry.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

FREDERICKTOWN, February 23.—The Governor-General is formed as follows: G. T. Hathaway, Provincial Secretary. Hon. M. King, Attorney General, Hon. Mr. Kelly, Chief Commissioner, Board of Works, Stevenson Surveyor General. Messrs. Care, Covers and Jones are also members, but at present are without office. To-day the House was prorogued by the Lieutenant Governor to meet again on the 5th of April. Considerable excitement prevails in political circles, and much mutual recrimination is indulged in by members of both sides of the House.

NEW YORK CITY.

Methodist Book Concern—Ku-Klux Outrages in South Carolina—A Delegation Visits New York—Catholic Cathedral to be Finished—Custom House Investigations—German Immigration—English Claims Commission—Halpine, the Fenian Exile—San Domingo Correspondence.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

NEW YORK, February 23, 1871.

THE METHODIST BOOK CONCERN.

The committee appointed by the Methodists to try D. J. Lanahan on a long list of charges, it will be remembered, brought their deliberations to a close by withdrawing the charges, and appointing a sub-committee, composed of Bishop Scott and Rev. Bingham Vernod and Rothvilet, to investigate the affairs of the Methodist Book Concern, and to ascertain whether any frauds had been perpetrated, as alleged. This sub-committee met yesterday, but transacted no business of importance. This meeting of the sub-committee, which may extend over two or three days, is called strictly for the selection of experts, whose names will be sent to the counsel, Judges Fauchner and Reynolds, before the appointments are fixed, and the arrangement of the method of investigation. The examination of the accounts of the Concern will extend over a period from as far back as 1858 or 1859 until the present time. The names of the experts recommended for duty, when made, will be published.

KU-KLUX OUTRAGES.

The *Tribune's* Washington special says that a delegation, consisting of three members of the South Carolina Legislature, arrived here on Monday evening, and have asked the President to order troops to the counties of Lawrence, Union, Spartenburg, York, and Abbeville, where they say the Ku Klux outrages become so frequent, and the perpetrators of them so bold and defiant that it is no longer safe for the order of loving men of any party to remain there. These gentlemen deny that they have been sent here to make

POLITICAL CAPITAL.

Their State is Republican by more than thirty thousand majority. They need no more Republican voters, and unless the Union men are driven out who infested the section, are frightened out of all participation in political affairs, any action of the Executive Committee in no way will change the result of future elections. They report that the troubles of which they complain began on the day before the election in October last, with the

WHIPPING OF A NEGRO JUDGE

of the election, in order to prevent him from being present at the polling place to which he was assigned. They charge Governor, an interference with the voting in Lawrence county, as a detachment of United States troops were stationed there. On the day after the election

THE SOLDIERS WERE WITHDRAWN,

and before they were out of hearing the Ku-Klux showed themselves. The constable, who had a warrant for the arrest of two men, was attacked near the Court House.

A shot was fired, and as if this was the signal agreed upon, forty men armed with rifles appeared on the square and commenced firing. Then separating into squads of two and three, they scoured the country, shooting and shot down in cold blood eleven of the prominent leaders, Republicans, most of whom were taken from their beds at midnight. Among the victims of this outrage was the Judge of Probate for the county and a member of the State Legislature.

THE TROOPS WERE SENT BACK,

and while they remained in the county it was comparatively safe. Since their withdrawal many persons have been murdered in open daylight, while shamefully abused. The troops have arrested several men known to have been engaged in the outrages, but they were soon taken to Columbia. They were immediately released on

WRITS OF HABEAS CORPUS

by Judge Vernon, who has since been impeached by the Legislature, but who resigned before his trial began. The most recent outrage reported by this delegation took place in Union about three weeks ago, when a colored militia were on parade. They demanded whisky of an illicit distiller, who gave them some, but refused to comply with the plea that it was not his property. He was taken into the woods and shot. Republican as well as Democratic papers warmly demanded that the guilty men be

ARRESTED AND PUNISHED

for their crime. Five members of the regiment have been missing for a week. Their decision, however, will probably be able to prove that they were not on parade when the murder was committed. The negro was taken from his bed during night by a mob of disguised men, and shot, two being killed outright, and the mob supposing the third to be dead. The three who escaped were badly wounded, and have been replaced in jail. When particularly requested to wait long enough to see that they knew of some who were engaged in the former outrage, and that if their safety could be guaranteed, they would tell who were the guilty men. Judge Thomas, of Columbia, therefore issued a warrant ordering the removal of the three men to that city, and placed it in the hands of Sheriff Dunn with orders to execute it. But some delay it was reported, that he had completed arrangements for their secret removal on Monday night, February 13th.

MOB LAW.

On Sunday night a band of about eight hundred fully armed men masked and rode into town, picketed the roads, and went to the jail and ordered the keeper to give up the keys. This he refused to do, and they tied him to the hitching post and then threatened to whip him with cowhide if he did not give them where the keys were; and having thus obtained them, they took out of jail ten prisoners. Carrying them a little distance out of town, they gave them a light to clear, and took two away with them. These two have not since been found.

NEGROES SAY THEY TOO ASK FOR TROOPS.

This outrage was seen by the Mayor of the town an editor of the Democratic newspaper published there, and he unites with all orderly and quiet citizens in asking for troops, and that many citizens of the delegation say that the men committing these outrages are Ex-Confederate soldiers who have been disbanded, and that neither militia or civil authorities are able to do anything to stop them.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

Strenuous efforts are about to be made to complete the Catholic Cathedral in this city, and a meeting of the clergy of the diocese was held to-night at the residence of Archbishop McClosky, to settle upon some method of raising funds for that purpose.

GOLD BIDS.

There were twenty-one bids for gold to-day, amounting to about five million, at from 1.10⅝ to 1.11⅛. The awards will be about a million at from 1.11⅛ to 1.11⅜.

MAY HE LIVE A THOUSAND YEARS.

Peter Cooper celebrated his eightieth birthday last night by presenting the Cooper Union with a donation of $150,000.

THE ENGLISH COMMISSIONERS.

The members of the Joint High Commission left for Washington this morning.

THE CUSTOM HOUSE

Investigating Committee are still in session at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

NEW YORK, February 23.—Arrived Anglia from Glasgow.

PHILADELPHIA.

League Island as a Navy Yard—Camden and Amboy Railroad Liberal for the First Time in its life—Coal and Iron Operators and Dealers.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, February 23.—The Mayor to-day sent a message to the city Council in reference to League Island, suggesting the proper steps to be taken by the people of the city of Philadelphia, through the constituted authorities, to procure at the hands of Congress, the acceptance of the gift of League Island for the purpose of a Navy Yard and Naval manufacturing depot, and concurrent removal there of the old Navy Yard.

The Camden and Amboy Railroad has offered to convey free of charge provisions intended for the suffering French.

At an adjourned meeting of coal operators, coal carrying companies and iron manufacturers held in this city to-day, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1st. That the Schuylkill region operators offer to men in their district for 1871 at $2.50, the basis of $2.00 per ton for November last, sliding up and down at the rate of one per cent. adv

THE DAILY GAZETTE.

OFFICIAL PAPER
Of Pittsburgh, Allegheny City and Allegheny County.

GAZETTE BUILDING:
Corner of Sixth Avenue and Smithfield Street.

FRIDAY, FEB. 24, 1871.

HEADQUARTERS
REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE
OF PENNSYLVANIA,
No. 1105 Chestnut Street,
PHILADELPHIA, January 23, 1871.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Republican State Central Committee, adopted at Altoona, August 16, 1870, a State Convention, composed of delegates from each Senatorial and Representative District in the number to which each district is entitled in the Legislature, will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at Harrisburg, at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 16th DAY of MARCH, A. D. 1871, to nominate candidates for Auditor General and Surveyor General, and to take action upon the question of Constitutional Reform, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it.

MAHLON H. DICKINSON,
Chairman Executive Committee of State Central Committee.

GEORGE W. HAMERSLY,
M. S. QUAY,
JAMES W. M. NEWLIN, } Secretaries.

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BONDS at Frankfort 95¼@95¾.

GOLD closed in New York on yesterday at 111¼@111¾.

A RATHER CURIOUS REQUEST is in the Rome *Commercial* to the effect that those who have any connection with secret organizations should remain perfectly quiet "for the present." The record of Georgia would indicate that this was good advice to the Ku Klux—"for the present."

THE Editorial Convention now in progress at Akron, Ohio, made up of the leading journalists of that State, promises to be a very pleasing and profitable gathering. The citizens of that enterprising city have left nothing undone to secure the enjoyment of the guests present, and our telegrams announce that all goes merry as a marriage bell.

THE Mobile *Tribune* says, "unless the people violate the law a little more, there will be no use for Justices of the Peace." The sympathies of the country should be extended to these badly used justices, who live where there is not sufficient violation of the law to keep them from starvation. Always provided however, that the Mobile *Tribune* has not "drawn it a little too fine."

MRS. WOODHULL is having at least one of the privileges granted to the sterner sex. Anne L. Swindal has brought suit against Woodhull and Claflin bankers, for $500, which she asserts Mrs Woodhull induced her to deposit with the defendants, and out of which she received only $18. The verdict was rendered for the plaintiff for $358. While this perhaps is not making any step towards female suffrage, it is a little significant that the plaintiff who makes the claim is one of that sex over which Mrs. W. has taken so much pains to protect.

IT is probable that the crowning humiliation of the proud people of Paris will be carried to them on Sunday next in the triumphant entry of that city by the victorious hosts of Germany. The conqueror could well afford to spare the fallen people the spectacle, if it would not sound well to state on the historical pages of the war that, sweeping all before him, King William, with his army of brave followers, at last entered the surrendered city of Paris, and thus attested to the world that France, broken and powerless, was at his feet.

CANADIAN JOURNALS assert that they have just discovered that the Joint High Commission was not a creation of the United States and England, without any consultation with Canada. On the contrary, a correspondence has been going on for a long time between Canada and Great Britain, and the Joint High Commission had really its origin to a great extent from suggestions made by the Canadian authorities. This much having been discovered, Canada can smooth down her ruffled dignity and allow the Commission to pursue its duties in peace.

A NEW fee bill has been prepared by the Select Committee of the legal fraternity of Allegheny county which is to be forwarded to Harrisburg for legislation We have not yet been privileged to see it, but learn incidentally that it provides for a general reduction of the fees pertaining to all the offices but does not contemplate salaries either at present or for the future. We hope to be able to lay the bill before our people previous to its introduction into the Legislature and are for the present content to watch and wait for what the lawyers have to offer as the true basis of that reform promised by the Republican party last campaign.

THERE is an eminent disposition on the part of some of the members of Congress, to abolish the West Point Academy. We have heard mutterings of this nature for some time, and although it has not assumed any tangible shape as yet, it will, no doubt, be brought before the next Congress, and thoroughly ventilated. The idea is, that military instruction can be gained in these colleges where there is a military department, and that admission to the regular army could be gained by graduates from such colleges, by a competitive examination. The plan however, while on first impression it may meet approval, is one that will scarcely be carried into execution.

WITH THE UNITED STATES alone, does it rest all the glory of claiming damages before the Joint High Commission. Canada, worrying, fretting and grieving over the supposed action of that Commission on the Fishery question, demands she too shall be heard on matters special to her pecuniary interest. She asserts that she has been injured, terribly aggrieved and damaged by the Fenian raids. She thinks too that there has been enough already promised by the British Government, to secure some disposition of this claim. It is more than probable that there has some such assurance been given, and that disposition will be made of those claims. The probability how ever is, that they will disposed of by being laid on the table, if not under it, and allowed to remain there.

TO-DAY WE PRESENT our readers with the XXIVth annual report of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad Company, which includes the financial operations of auxiliary great roads secured by leases and under its management. The report exhibits a healthy state of affairs, which must prove exceedingly entertaining and particularly interesting to the share holders. As much so it, may be popular with the masses to fling arrows at this gigantic corporation, still we tell that none will deny that its affairs are managed with marvellous care and ability, and that as one of the greatest railway lines in the world it commands admiration and should be regarded with feelings of pride by all American citizens, and especially so by Pennsylvanians on whose State it has conferred so many benefits and contributed so largely to its development and material prosperity.

ARKANSAS still affords sensation for the present. The excitement in that State is not cooling down in the least. A perfectly tangled mass of circumstances envelop the whole case, out of which to make "confusion worse confounded" the law has raised question on question. Chief Justice McClure, with an equanimity that is truly enviable, notwithstanding that the House has impeached him, sits at his post, and decides all questions of law relative to the Clayton-Johnson imbroglio, in defiance of protests on the part of the counsel of Johnson. In the meantime Clayton is rapidly preparing for the defensive as Johnson is for the offensive, and fears are daily growing stronger that blood will be shed. To prevent this, we think the Senate should meet promptly. At present it seems impossible to get together a quorum of members, the rest evidently staying away to prevent this being accomplished. Much of a farce as we regard Clayton's impeachment, we frankly assert that the Senate should meet the question squarely and fairly.

THE New York *World* does not like the idea that all lands on which national cemetries are now established shall be declared the property of the United States. Of course this has more direct reference to Arlington and the claim of the heirs of General Lee. The argument is used, that such a position would entail upon our Cemetries endless law suits. It is not so much "that the departed dead should rest in peace," as it is that the living claimants shall be compensated, that troubles the *World*. If the "departed dead" are disturbed at all, it is by the movements and actions of the Democracy, for the Republican party is a unit in keeping their resting places undisturbed and free from the unhallowed tread of their old enemies. The best way to achieve what the *World* seems so desirous of having, is to let it be understood once for all, that the National Cemetries shall remain in the possession of the Government. This fact once fully declared, will end the matter. As it is, so long as Republican rule is dominant, the dead will rest in peace. When Democracy comes into power, should that ever happen, we look for the remains of our brave soldiers to be unearthed, lest their presence offend the Southern claimants.

LINTON H. STEPHENS is determined to keep himself notorious. The mere fact that his notoriety is of that character that any honest or decent man would blush to have attached to his name, is a matter of no moment whatever to Mr. Stephens. He made himself notorious by the Toombs-Stephens address. He increased that notoriety by his arrest for a violation of the enforcement act. He now considers himself on ground safe and sure for some rather equivocal reputation for statesmanship, and proclaims to the people of Augusta, Georgia, that the reconstruction measures of Georgia are a nullity, and advises his audience not to accept the situation. His speech has evidently been moulded in the same pattern as that of the Hon. Frank Blair, only that Blair smoothed down all the asperities, and Stephens gives his speech in its rough undressed condition. It is hardly worth his while to spend so much time, and perhaps trouble, on this subject. In the present riotous condition of affairs South, Mr. Stephens may be regarded as a kind of demi-god among the roughs, but the day is not far distant when such men as he will only be remembered among those, who desired to take advantage of a disorganized condition of affairs to instigate knaves to rob, plunder and murder.

EXPLOSIVE OILS AND FLUIDS.

EDITORS GAZETTE: A correspondent signed P. wants to know if you can suggest any remedy against selling explosive oil, and you say "pass a bill to prevent the sale of oil below 110 degrees test." There is already a law passed by Congress to prevent the sale of oil below 110, but this does not reach the matter. Pass a law to make it a penal offence for any person or firm to sell or offer for sale any *oil or fluid* of any kind made from the products of petroleum that will not stand 110 degrees test. It is not *oil* that causes so many accidents, but a composition *sold as non-explosive burning fluid*, and which is manufactured largely here. It is nothing more or less than benzine, and any person selling it should be punished by fine and imprisonment. Persons using oil will test it themselves by putting a small amount into a saucer or other shallow vessel and applying a light. If it *burns at once* it is dangerous, and should not be used. The accident causing the death of Mrs. Evans, in Allegheny, might occur with the best of oil, for if you pour oil into the fire, on a hot stove, it will burn. But this, we think, is nitro-glycerine that is sold under the name of "non explosive burning fluid," should be prevented. OIL REFINER.

OUR remarks yesterday, we think are still good. Let our Legislature pass a law making it a penal offence to sell or offer for sale, any product of petroleum for purposes of light, we care not by what name known, whether "oil," "burning fluid," "kerosene," or what not, that will ignite at a lower temperature than 110 degrees Fahrenheit, and further empower anyone discovering such dangerous oils for sale to make information of the fact before a magistrate, and have the offending party convicted. We think with such a law no bad oil or dangerous fluids will be offered for sale, and one-half or more of these accidents will be prevented.

SAN DOMINGO.

The opponents of San Domingo annexation are as lively and ingenious as ever. For versatility of invention, they are unquestionably entitled to the palm. There may be some explantion of this, in the fact that it seems but of little importance to them what they make, so that they invent. Whether it be a mole hill or a mountain it is all the same, provided that it is against annexation. There are doubtless numberless journals that have a decided impression against the advantage of annexation, but they prefer rather to wait patiently and ascertain full particulars from the report of the Commission, before entering positive objections. But that class of journalism to which we allude does not desire to be informed. They prefer to misrepresent. Like a southern exchange, that solaces itself over the disappointment arising from the fact, that the arrival of the Tennessee safely, has prevented it from denouncing the President as a murderer, by saying, that at all events the vessel has not reached home safely as yet. three journals have anticipated the matter, and report letters from the Commission, declaring that annexation would be disastrous. As the Commission has not had scarcely time to look around it, and certainly not time enough to form any good opinion about the matter, these reported letters must be either untrue, or the correspondents who wrote them, must have been paid and sent, for their adverse opinions. The country need not be surprised, should the last view of the case be the true one, if in a day or two, several huge boards should be found floating about in the bay, with the name of Grant and Babcock duly painted thereon in huge white letters. Such collections should be brought home and placed among the National Archives as a matter of history. We wonder how much reward has been offered these correspondents for finding such boards.

ASSASSINATION.

IT was asserted that the assassination of General Prim, was but the commencement of a series of murders, that a combination of men had sworn to perpetrate. This idea was further confirmed by the fact, that the widow of Prim, shortly after the murder of her husband, received a communication stating that the actors in that tragedy were satisfied with the deed, and that they would pursue their task to the end. Quite recently the carriage of the minister of the Interior, Sagasta, was attacked by a mob of masked men, but they were finally driven away. Sagasta was not in the carriage at the time and therefore if his murder was intended they would not have been successful. This attack has raised great excitement, and the threats following on the murder of Prim have been recalled, with the usual amount of exaggeration. It has however been stated that the mob attacking the carriage of the minister, had no connection whatever with the assassins who murdered Prim. This probably is the fact, as there has not been the slightest mention made of their attempt to use arms and they were kept away until help came by the driver and the footmen, armed with whips. Their masks were nothing but mufflers, and there was more evidence of being riotous from drink, than a set purpose to commit murder. Several of them were arrested, and the whole affair looks more like a drunken spree than anything else. It is more than probable that the reported statement of an intent to kill many more of those favoring Amadens, as well as the further report of the letter received by the widow of Prim, has grown out of the excitement consequent on the occasion, and that there is really no foundation for it. One would think so, at all events, from the length of time that has transpired since the death of Prim. If the object is to assassinate nearly two hundred men, at this rate of progress the oath of death would have to be extended to the next generation.

Luminosity of Cloth when Torn.

A correspondent of the *Scientific American* writes from San Francisco:

About a month ago I read in your paper an extract from *Nature*, mentioning the singular phenomenon, recently observed, of the evolution of light caused by the tearing of twilled cotton cloth into strips in a dark room. About seven or eight years ago, while in the dry goods trade at Victoria, Vancouver's Island, I repeatedly noticed this same phenomenon. Not only soft twilled cotton cloth, but stiff, smooth calico, containing a large quantity of lime dressing, will emit light when torn in a dark or even dimly lighted room. In cold, dry weather, the phenomenon is more noticeable than in warm or damp weather. In Montana, during an extraordinary cold spell in the winter of 1767-68, the thermometer ranging from ten to thirty-two degrees below zero, I noticed that common printing paper, when torn in a cold, dark room, will emit light.

I have always attributed the evolution of light in these cases to electricity At the time I noticed the so-called phenomenon in Montana, the amount of electricity "knocking around loose" was really astonishing One day, presenting my knuckle to the tip of a cat's tail, a spark flew out of it (the cat's tail) as large as that which comes out of a twelve or fifteen-inch electrical machine. Often, at night, when undressing for bed, as I was pulling off my woolen overshirt, I would hear a crackling noise, like that made by the breaking of thin glass stemp, and while extracting my head and arms from it, I would see hundreds of little flashes at the points where the overshirt and undershirt were parting. In violently shaking my overshirt, after taking it off, I would see innumerable flashes of light, and hear a continuous crackling sound. When the cold spell was over, the pyrotechnics on my shirt ceased, the cat no longer gave forth sparks, and no matter how luminous the articles were in the newspapers which I tore, light refused to issue from them.

How a Whole Family Became Blind

There lives a family in Dorchester county, every dark-eyed male member of which for the past fifty years has gone blind at the age of 20 to 25 years. Those with blue eyes escape the terrible affliction. There is a tradition about this singular circumstance, which we lay before our readers as we heard it: Some sixty years since, so goes the story, a beautiful black-eyed girl of twenty, from some cause or other, lost her eye-sight. Her misfortune brought penury and want with it. Being reduced to beggary, she was wont to go about asking alms. During one of her journeys she visited the neighborhood in which resided the ancestors of those who are now sightless. Instead of her helpless condition exciting, as it should have done, a feeling of sympathy, she was treated with ridicule by some of the younger members of the family her evil eye fell into. The wife of the boys, as a matter of mere devilitry, took her out promising to take her to a place where plenty awaited. Instead of giving her a safe conduct, they carried her into a swamp and left her. It is said that she cried out, beseeching them to put her on the public road, but they heeded not her lamentations. Finding herself about to be deserted among the tangled brushwood, she turned her prayer to a curse, asking her Maker, in her revengeful anguish to punish her betrayers, by making their offspring for seven generations as helpless as she was. It is said that she was found dead in the swamp, having perished from hunger and cold. This may appear some what romantic, but whether the traditionary part of it be false or true, it is assuredly a fact that the male offspring of the family referred to, lose their sight as indicated. Hundreds of persons in Dorchester county will verify it.—*Cambridge, Mass., Herald.*

The American Ambulance, and American Workers in Paris.

On every hand we hear of good work accomplished by the few Americans who remained in Paris. Even at the beginning of the war they organized for active servicein the cause of humanity. One noble corps of them, followed the French army to Sedan, and before the captulation there established their ambulance or flying hospital service under fire, and for two months continued their good work there and won grateful regard from all who witnessed their heroism and skill. The Americans who remained in Paris organized a sanitary committee of relief, under the leadership, and at the expense of Dr. Thomas W. Evans, and at once established an ambulance hospital service in the Avenue de l' Imperatrice, now Avenue Uhlrich, The palatial residences of that quarter were dedicated to the hospital work, and waved the Red Cross of the International committee of relief. The open grounds along the avenue were occupied by the hospital tents of the American committee, and a complete outfit of ambulances, carriages, &c., has been kept on duty night and day until the present time.

All the American ladies who remained in Paris joined heartily in this hospital service, and have, from all accounts, proved their noble traits of heroism and cheerfulness under terrible trials and in the midst of all the sad scenes of the siege. Their duties have not ceased. The hospital and relief in still maintained, and as far as the organization can obtain means these good woman and the gentlemen of the American committee will continue to give food and other kinds of relief to the most needy.

Sailors Frozen to Death.

[From the N. Y. Herald, Feb. 15.]

A terrible case of suffering and death caused by the recent severe weather and the ice blockade in the East River and Long Island Sound, is reported as follows: A schooner had been lying off Hog Island reef, frozen in, for the past few days. The captain and crew, consisting of two men and a boy, were engaged most of the time in attempting to cut a way out of the ice. Yesterday the people residing on the shore, noticing that everything about the schooner was still and strange, managed to get within hailing distance of the vessel, when the boy faintly made known their condition. After great exertions the vessel was reached, and there a sickening sight was beheld. The two sailors were dead and literally frozen stiff, and the captain and boy were nearly frozen, and almost starved, they having run out of supplies. The captain persisting in his vain effort to reach the open sea, had frozen both of his hands and feet, and was extremely helpless. The bodies were removed ashore, and the helpless survivors taken care of.

Happy Arabia.

At a recent meeting of the British Association a paper was read giving an account of the unknown regions of Arabia Felix, derived from the journal of Adolph Wrede, who, in 1843, in the disguise of an Egyptian pilgrim, penetrated into the country. The explanation of the delay in giving the public the results of this adventurous enterprise is to be found in the fact that Wrede's oral account was met with incredulity, and the traveller was discouraged from the publication of his manuscripts. The recent explorations of Munzinger have confirmed Wrede's accounts. According to the reports of both these explorers Arabia Felix is a land of stony ridges, with cultivated terraces wherever practicable, and with oases of fertility around wells and along streams. Further inland, an open park-like tract, tolerably well timbered, reaches to the great interior desert. Aromatic plants exist in profusion, and the methods of agriculture, though rude, are creditable to the inhabitants, who are divided into a number of petty tribes.

Cat Whaling.

It was a sunny afternoon on Nantucket, when Rev. Mr. Cheerful called upon Mrs. Bobstay, whose husband, an old whaler, had just sailed for the "spermy city" of the broad Pacific sea. Mrs. Bobstay was low down in her mind, and required a cheering word from the good man. On the contrary, her son of eight years old, Jack Bobstay by name, was full of nerve and hope. The old man had filled his son's mind with sea yarns sufficiently thrilling for a dime novel, and the lad nightly dreamed of spearing whales, of reefing ice-plated sails off the ever boisterous Cape Horn, of "taking in," "trying out," &c., all of which he had heard his father talk and swear about. Many an eighty-barrel whale had Jack captured while sleeping snugly in his little bed, which his father had trieed up hammock fashion.

The scene was a quiet one; the dominie was earnest in his low words of comfort. The mother, her heart away upon the outspread ocean which she could see stretching away southward to where the good ship Oiltub disappeared against the lowering sky, listened attentively and gratefully. Jack, on a little stool, sat drinking in the pictures on the "Pirate's Own Book." In the open door of the house the cat lay napping in the warm sunshine, which streamed gloriously in through the open door. The good man had his heart in the work; he calmed the fears of the sorrowing wife, told her of the help and comfort she would have in her boy Jack, who would soon be a man, and was about to place a soothing climax upon his words of consolation by an appeal to the throne of grace, when a denouement of a most startling character burst upon the prevailing serenity like a fatal bolt from a smiling sky.

In listening the mother had dropped her knitting—a stocking just begun—the ball of yarn lay in her lap unheeded. All unnoticed, Jack pulled several fathoms and coiled it with sailor-like nicety on the floor. That done a new thought struck him. A large carving-fork lay upon the table; Jack secured it. He ran the prongs through the newly-begun stocking. Then, just as the Rev. Mr. Cheerful was about to kneel, Jack poised his ingeniously constructed impromptu harpoon. Placing his left foot forward, as he had heard his father tell of having done, he drove the harpoon with all his force at the unconscious cat sleeping in the sun. His aim was true; he struck the feline, as his father would have termed it, just "abaft the starboard fore and fluke."

Persons sleeping in rooms with sheds adjacent which are nightly frequented by cats can possibly imagine the yell that arose from the half impaled Tabby. She sprang to her feet, darted out the door, her speed running out the coiled yarn rapidly, while above her screams rose the voice of the delighted boy whaler, who lustily shouted as she plunged for the ball of yarn to "pay out, mother! pay out; there she blows!"

Making Love.

In Seville, which is popularly supposed to be in Spain, there is in use a most felicitous invention in the way of making love, ciandestinely. After dark, young caballeros steal beneath their lady's lattice—which, perchance, is in the third story—and softly unscrewing the handle of their walking sticks, proceed to extract from the same, which are hollow, length after length of hollow tubing, screwing them together after the fashion of a Japanese fishing pole, or the old apparatus wherewith sweeps clean chimneys. A mouth piece is fitted into each end and one raised to the window above. Soon, by the aid of this improvised speaking tube, two souls with a certain unanimity of thought and two hearts with a possible unison or pulsation are softly communing. Now all this is very nice, seductively romantic and all that sort of thing, but mark what the knowledge of it brought to a certain youth of Baltimore. He had read of it or heard of it, and happening to have a surreptitious affection for a young and wealthy lady, which she as surreptitiously reciprocated, he determined with her connivance to avail himself of it. He got a tin pipe of the de sired length, made by a tinner, and in each end of it placed, for want of a better mouth-piece, a funnel. Delicious conversation went on, he sitting on the top of a water barrel and she leaning from a window above. They would converse for hours, and exchange all the soft nonsense in the world, and then he would unship his apparatus, put the funnels in his pocket, wrap the pieces up in a newspaper, and go home in a condition of ethereal bliss. The course of true love never did run smooth. The next one evening, the old gentleman, smoking in the back garden at an unusual hour, saw the young gentleman arrive, fix up his apparatus and commence his soul communing operations. He made up his mind in a minute. He went into the kitchen and asked for a pitcher of boiling water; it was handed to him and off he posted, up stairs. Just as he reached his daughter's door he commenced calling to her. So telling her lover to wait a moment, she came to the door. "Nellie, my dear, run up to my room and get me my spectacles; I'll wait here till you come down." She disappeared up stairs and he stole cautiously to the window. The moment he touched the funnel the amorous and unsuspecting youth clapped his mouth to the other where he had broken off—"my darling, you cannot imagine how—." Just then the old gentleman commenced assiduously filling that funnel with the hot water, and the rest of the miserable youth's sentence was never heard. He wore flour on his face for a fortnight after, and declines to go into society just at present.

John Wesley's Wife.

Wesley had written "Thoughts on a Single Life," and strongly disapproved of the marriage of ministers; but finally he married, in 1751, a widow by the name of Vizelle, with four children, and an independent fortune, which he settled on her, and of which he declined to make any use. His was a very unfortunate marriage. Southey says of Mrs. Wesley: "She tormented him in such a manner, by her outrageous jealousy and abominable temper, that she deserves to be classed in a triad with Xantippe and the wife of Job, as one of the three bad wives. Wesley, indeed, was neither so submissive as Socrates nor so patient as the man of Uz. "Know me," said he, in one of his letters to her, "and know yourself. Suspect me no more, asperse me no more, provoke me no more; do no longer contend for mastery, for power, money or praise; be content to be a private, insignificant person, known and loved by God and me." Speaking of her efforts to vindicate her character by various underhand proceedings, he concludes: "Of what importance is your character to mankind? If you was buried just now, or if you had never lived, what loss would it be to the cause of God?" Southey adds: "This was true, but not very conciliating; and there are few stomachs which could bear to have humility administered in such doses." It is said that she frequently traveled a hundred miles for the sole purpose of watching from a window who was in the carriage with him when he entered a town. She searched his pockets, opened his letters, put his papers into the hands of those unfriendly to him, in hope that they might use them to injure his character, and sometimes rudely treated him and tore his venerable and scanty locks. After thus trying him for twenty years, she left him for the last time, and carried with her parts of his journal and other private papers. He simply states the fact of her departure in his journal, and adds, "I did not forsake her, I did not dismiss her, I will not recall her." White field's wife and Mrs. Wesley are spoken of by Berridge of Everton as "a brace of ferrets."—*From the Atlantic Monthly for March.*

Making Sure of a Tenor.

The Cornhill *Magazine* tells this story: A French impressario was taking out to New Orleans an opera company, which by special agreement was only to include one tenor. Foreigners are usually bad sailors, and for the first few days all the members of the company were seasick, one of the effects of which malady is that it weakens the voice so much that people are frequently hoarse for several days after their recovery. Accordingly, as soon as the singers could crawl on deck, they commenced to try their voices, and amongst them the tenor, who, always anxious to occupy a distinguished position, went on the bridge of the steamer for the purpose. What was his surprise on hearing an echo of his own voice—another tenor. His amazement became disgust when he heard a third tenor running up the scale, a fourth, a fifth. He looked forward and saw two men eyeing him and each other with intense hatred; he looked aft, and saw two others similarly occupied. The five tenors simultaneously made a rush below to the manager's cabin, and demanded whether he had not expressly stipulated to each of them that he was to be his only tenor. "I know, I know," replied the manager; "and I will keep my word. You see none of you have been to New Orleans before, or you would understand. When we arrive there, the yellow fever is sure to be raging, and as you are fresh from Europe, two of you will probably be carried off before you land, and two more during the rehersal. One will probably survive: he will be my first and only tenor."

A New Invention.

A new fire escape was tested on Saturday, at the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia, when a man lowered himself from the sixth story window on the Ninth street front to the pavement, regulating the speed of his own descent, and stopping two or three times in front of windows on the different stories. The apparatus used is known as the Renyon Fire Escape and consists of a small closely twisted rope of fine Italian hemp, which passes through the spiral grooves in a cylindrical metal machine about ten inches long, and an inch and a half or two inches in diameter. The grooves in the machine cause the rope to pass around the cylinder two or three times, thus causing friction sufficient to enable the person descending by grasping the rope below the machine, to regulate the speed of his downward passage or to come to a dead stop whenever desired. Attached to the metal cylinder are two leather belts, one of which is to be buckled around the waist and the other around the thighs, so as to hold the person in a sitting position, and leaving the arms entirely free. After one person has descended the rope may be drawn up by the ends reversed, and another person may come down, and so on as long as practicable.

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This new dropper is found to be the most perfect and convenient article of the kind ever invented. We also have the new Perfume Vaporizer, and Gardiner's Friend.

Not only is this ingenious little instrument adapted for perfuming the sick room, but it will be found of invaluable service in the garden, as a perfect shower of disinfecting fluid may by this means be blown over rose trees and other plants, thereby destroying all insects, &c., &c.

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THE HAZARDS OF WINTER.

The feeble and delicate dread the winter, and with good reason. The weather at this season has a depressing effect upon the vital organs and the animal spirits, and they have no vitality or mental animation to spare. The aged and infirm, in whom the flame of life is waxing dim, are always unpleasantly affected by the temperature of winter, and should fortify their systems against it. The extra vigor and resistant power which the enfeebled system requires to enable it to meet with safety the assaults of cold and damp, may soon be acquired by the regular use of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The tonic effect of this wonderful medicine is soon apparent, in an increased appetite, a more active digestion, and a brighter, happier frame of mind. Food is the fuel of the body, and it it is not properly digested the fires of life burn low. When this is the case, the disability can always be remedied within a short space of time, by taking a full dose of the Bitters twice a day. The stomach will soon begin to perform its alloted task regularly and steadily; the food, being thoroughly assimilated, will yield the amount of vital heat and nourishment which the body requires, under the external pressure of cold, and the winter ailments which are apt to assail the weak and untoned physique will be avoided.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, February 4th, 1871.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY given, that books will be opened on the sixth day of March next, in this country and in Europe, for subscriptions to the National Loan, under the Act approved July 14, 1870, entitled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of the National Debt," and the Act in amendment thereof, approved January 20, 1871.

The places at which subscriptions may be made, and the names of the authorized Agents of the Government, will be announced hereafter. The proposed loan comprises three classes of Bonds namely:

First—Bonds to the amount of five hundred millions of dollars, payable in coin, at the pleasure of the United States, after ten years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest, payable quarterly in coin, at the rate of five per cent. per annum.

Second—Bonds to the amount of three hundred millions of dollars, payable in coin, at the pleasure of the United States, after fifteen years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest, payable quarterly in coin, at the rate of four and a half per cent. per annum.

Third—Bonds to the amount of seven hundred millions of dollars, payable in coin, at the pleasure of the United States, after thirty years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest, payable quarterly in coin, at the rate of four per cent. per annum.

Subscribers to the Loan will have preference in the following order, namely:

First—Subscribers for equal amounts of each class of bonds.

Second—Subscribers for equal amounts of bonds bearing interest at the rate of four and a half per cent. and of bonds bearing interest at the rate of five per cent.

Third—Subscribers for five per cent. bonds.

When a subscription is made the subscriber will be required to deposit two per cent. of the amount thereof, to be accounted for by the Government when the bonds are delivered; and payment may be made either in coin or in bonds of the United States known as FIVE-TWENTY BONDS, at their par value. The coin received in payment will be applied to the redemption of five-twenty bonds.

The bonds will be registered or issued with coupons, as may be desired by subscribers. Registered bonds will be issued of the denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1,000, $5,000 and $10,000; and coupon bonds of each denomination except the last two. The interest will be payable in the United States, at the office of the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, or Designated Depositary of the Government.

The bonds of the several classes aforesaid, and the interest thereon, are exempt from the payment of taxes or duties of the United States, as well as from taxation in any form by or under State, municipal or local authority.

After maturity, the bonds last issued will be first redeemed, by classes and numbers, as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury.

GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.
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We take pleasure in announcing to our personal friends and the public that we have formed a Co-partnership under the style of HOWARD EATON & CO. for the sale of the justly celebrated IMPROVED ELLIPTIC SEWING MACHINES in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio.

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We are permitted to refer to many well-known families and dress makers who are now using them in preference to all others, because more easily learned and less liable to get out of order, as being operated with less power and less noise, and running more rapidly, and also capable of the widest range and best quality of work.

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CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Fourth ave., between Wood and Smithfield sts.,
PITTSBURGH, February 17, 1871.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL OWNERS OF

Drays, Carts, Carriages, Buggies, &c.,

(whether resident or non-resident,) in the City of Pittsburgh, to PAY THEIR LICENSES at this office, forthwith.

All licenses not paid on or before the FIRST MONDAY IN MARCH, 1871, will be placed in the hands of a Police officer for collection, subject to a collection fee of 50 cents; and all persons who refuse or neglect to take out licenses, will be subject to a penalty DOUBLE THE AMOUNT OF THE LICENSES, to be recovered before the Mayor.

The OLD METAL PLATES of last year must be returned at the time licenses are taken out or 25 cents additional will be charged on each license.

RATES OF LICENSES:

Each one horse vehicle	$ 7 50
Each two horse vehicle	12 00
Each four horse vehicle	15 00
Each two horse hack	15 00
Omnibus and Timber Wheels drawn by two horses, each	18 00

ONE DOLLAR EXTRA will be charged for each additional horse used in any of the above vehicles.

A. J. COCHRAN,
City Treasurer.
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At 37½c., Black and Colored Alpaca Poplins.
At 18½c., Tycoon Reppa for Wrappers.
At 8½c., some of the best makes Prints.
At 8½c., yard wide Unbleached Muslin.
At 12½c., an extra bargain 4-4 Bleached Sheeting.
At 6¼c., Straw Ticking.
At 18½c., Yard Wide Feather Ticking.
At 12½c., All Linen Heavy Huck Toweling.
At 8½c., Heavy Scotch Crash.
At 25c., Heavy Huck Towels, red border, extra large.
At 10c., All Linen Damask Towels, red border
At 62½c., a dozen, Linen Table Napkins.
At $1 a dozen, Linen Table Napkins, large size.
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THE DAILY GAZETTE.

MONEY AND COMMERCE.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

New York, Feb. 23, 1871.

Gold dull and steady at 111¼@111⅝. Loans made at 2@3 per cent. Clearings, $18,039,000.

Governments strong and higher, with heavy transactions.

Stock market weak in some leading shares and strong in others. The chief feature of the market was Western Union, which sold up to 80¾, on very large business. The upward movement was stimulated by calling in large amounts of borrowed stock. This stock is under the control of the Vanderbilt party. The sales to-day amounted to 230,000 shares. Pittsburgh sold up to 88. Express stocks strong. The Erie Railway Company give public notice that in order to relieve the suffering caused by the present coal famine, they will receive orders for coal from mine companies at seven dollars per ton of two thousand pounds delivered at Port Jervis and eight dollars per ton delivered at all points east of Port Jervis, including Jersey City.

Money easy at 4 per cent.

State bonds dull but low transactions. Sterling Exchange 9⅝.

Governments—Coupons of 1881, 114¾; Five-Twenties of 1862, 113¾; do 1864, 110¾; do 1865, 110¾; 67, 110¾; 68, 111¾. Ten-Forties, 111¾. Currency 6's, 118¾.

STATE BONDS—Tennessees, 71; old Tennessees, 64¾; new do, 65¾; new Virginias, 61; old do, 58¾; old North Carolinas, 36; new do, 37; Missouri 6's, 100; Alabama 5's, 90; Louisiana 6's, Quicksilver, 14¾; Mariposa, 5¾; do preferred, 9; Adams Express, 56; Wells, Fargo & Co., 26; American, 65½; United States, 66; Pacific Mail, 44¾; New York Central, 94¾; Scrip, 93¾; Erie, 25¾; do preferred, 45¾; Hudson River, 99½; preferred, 120; Reading, 98½; Michigan Central, 117¾; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 97; Rock Island, 93¾; do preferred, 106; Illinois, 140½; Northwest, 80¾; do preferred, 86½; New Jersey Central, 103¾; St. Paul, 32¾; do preferred, 74¾; Wabash, 39½; do preferred, 70; Fort Wayne, 94½; Ohio and Mississippi Certificates, 28; do preferred, 50; Chicago and Alton, 89½; do preferred, 114; Ohio and Mississippi, 30¾; Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati, 86; Columbus and Indiana Central, 85; Baltimore and Ohio, 134; Lake Shore, 90¾; Illinois Central, 132¾.

Closing quotations as received by James T. Brady & Co.:

Gold	111¾	5-20 Jan. & July, '65	110¾
U. S. 6s, 1881	114¾	5-20 Jan. & July, '67	110¾
U. S. 5-20 1862	112	5-20 Jan. & July, '68	111¼
U. S. 5-20 1864	110¾	U. S. 10-40	111
U. S. 5-20 1865	110¾	U. S. 6s, Currency	118¾

PITTSBURGH MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, THURSDAY, Feb. 23, 1871.

We are authorized by Col. Lawrence, General Superintendent of the Allegheny Valley Railroad, to give an emphatic denial to the reported reduction in freights on that road. The rumor was current in oil circles on Wednesday that a reduction was about to be made, and having no reason to doubt the correctness of the rumor, we gave currency to it in our report of Thursday. It seems that as soon as it appeared in print, that it was telegraphed to the oil regions, and the producers at once added the supposed reduction in freight on to the price of oil. We regret exceedingly having given currency to this report, but as already intimated, we had not at the time the slightest doubt but what it was correct.

The market to-day was dull here and in the east, but in the oil regions, sales were made, based, we presume, on the reported reduction in freights, at an advance. Now, conceding that this reduction in freights had actually been made, we do not think that the producers, in the present aspect of affairs, should have evinced an inclination to add the reduction on to the price of their oil, in view of the fact that prices are now, and have been for some time past, considerably too much inflated for consumers. In fact, while it is only necessary to state that the receipts here for several weeks, have not exceeded one thousand barrels per day, against 2500 to 4000 ordinarily; and, furthermore, the great proportion of what has been coming here recently, was from "Parker" and "Foster" and other points this side of Franklin.

CRUDE.

Continues dull but without any quotable change in prices. Spot or seller this month, quoted at 11¾; buyer till July, 12¾; seller, same time, 11¾@12; buyer 1 to 3 years, 12¾@13; seller sametime, 13½@13¾. Sale 1,000 bbls seller February at 11¾; and 1,000 bbls spot—at Parker—at $4.50 per bbl.

REFINED.

Nothing doing and the market continues dull and weak and if anything prices are a shade lower. February, 24¾; March, 24¾; April, 24¾; May, 25¾; buyer until July, 26¾; seller sametime, 27¾.

EXCIPTS CRUDE OIL.

Peerless Oil Works 74, account Duncan & Y; Beehive Oil Works 80, account W Stewart; Sunbeam Oil Works 400, account same; Cosmos 250, account L Hepler; same 332, account H McKelvy.

Total.....1,078 bbls.

OIL SHIPPED EAST PER A. V., R. R. & W. P. R. R.

J. McKee, 300 bbls refined oil to W. P. Logan Bros. & Co., Phila.

J. M. Riter, 400 bbls. ref. oil to Logan Bros. & Co., Phila.

Wm. McKelvey & Co., 96 bbls ref. oil to Logan Bros & Co., Phila.

Standard Oil Co., Logan & Stockdale, 200 bbls ref. oil to Logan Bros. & Co., Philadelphia.

J. M. Riter 100 bbls refined oil to Logan Bros. & Co., Philadelphia.

McKelvey, Bricker & Co 601 bbls refined oil to Bricker & Co; 1 car hay, Laing & McK; 100 bbls flour, McHenry & Hood; 1 car oats, Jas Graham; 250 sks seed; 150 sks do, Wood Bro & Co; 9 bbls apples, 3 do potatoes, 2 kgs a butter, Meanor & H; 6 sks wool, W Barker; 19 bgs middlings, Scott & Sloan; 200 bbls flour,

THE DAILY GAZETTE.

HOME NEWS.

Mr. Wendell Phillips on Lost Arts in Library Hall to-night.

Mr. Wendell Phillips is to lecture to-night. Go early or miss your chance for a seat.

Official—There will be a meeting of the Pittsburgh City Councils on Monday next.

Run Over.—Yesterday afternoon a child of a Mr. Bergenstein, about four years old, was run over on Penn avenue and seriously hurt by a wagon in charge of a butcher named Schaad.

The Lost Arts will be instructive and entertaining to all who, by going early to Library Hall to-night, render it impossible hereafter for the negro's theft opportunity to hear Mr. Phillips.

Drunk and Disorderly.—David Thomas and George Herkhardt paid the usual fine to Justice Krehan yesterday morning, for being drunk and disorderly on the streets the previous evening.

Wanted.—A Lady solicitor; one who has experience in canvassing for publications, can hear of permanent employment by calling at the Real Estate rooms of Croft & Phillips, opposite the Post Office. 4.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.—Chief Engineer Crow, and Mr. Dalzell Chairman of the Committee on Engines, have completed the repairs of the Fire Alarm Telegraph system of Allegheny city and found it to work admirably.

Alderman McAdams of Soho issued a warrant for the arrest of William Moorhead, charged on oath of Mrs. Mary Ann Wright, with keeping a disorderly house, which had bitten her little boy badly on the head. The animal will be killed.

Police Proceedings.—An information was made yesterday before Esquire Ammon, of East Birmingham, by Theodore Zollers, of the firm of Zollers & Duff, charging David Tarr with having obtained $90 by false and fraudulent representations. Warrant issued.

Assault and Battery.—Justice Krehan yesterday granted a warrant for the arrest of John Schram, charged on oath of Charles Kohle with assault and battery. The prosecutor alleges that the defendant knocked him down and otherwise maltreated him.

Unpaid Letters in Pittsburgh Postoffice Reverend, or Virgin alley.

Rev. Rev. E. W., Englewood, N. J., 3.
Carnell Rev. J. C., Manchester, Pa., 3.
Cornell Rev. Merrit, Beaver, Pa., 4.
McBride Sophia, Philadelphia, Pa., 3.
Stubbs Rev. R., Milford, Del., 3.

Directors Elected.—Wednesday evening, at a meeting of the stockholders of the Twelfth ward Bank, held in the school house of said ward, the following named gentlemen were elected Directors: Wm. Smith, John Welsch, C. H. Armstrong, R. Liddell, Wm. Freeman, Jas. Laughlin, J. J. Torley, G. J. Rowley, W. Bigdon, J. B. Hill, J. Kurtz, J. B. Lyon, Alex. Black. On Tuesday next the Directors will meet for organization.

The Friends of Education, residing in the three cities and vicinities, are earnestly and kindly invited to be present at Wylie Street A. M. E. Church, this (Friday) evening, at 7½ o'clock, to participate in a meeting in behalf of the Educational interests of Avery College. The College Faculty and other friends of Education will address the assemblage.

JOHN PECK, Vice President.
A. NEALE, Sec'y Bd. of Trustees.

Committed to Jail.—M. Roth appeared before Alderman McMasters yesterday morning and made oath charging Mary Burns and Becky Davis with keeping a disorderly house in Weaver's court off Grant street. Mr. Roth is a shoemaker, and alleges that the disorder of this house is insufferable and prayed that something might be done to stop it. The accused were committed to jail each in default of $300 bail.

Accident—Car Burned.—By the breaking of a rail near Locksport, soon after day-light on Thursday morning, the rear sleeping car of the East bound southern Express on the Pennsylvania Railroad was thrown off the track and before the train could be stopped it was so severely burned over the ties that the car soon was consumed to the trucks. The passengers all escaped unhurt, no bodily injury resulted from the accident. The car was owned by Pullman, and all the baggage contents belonging to the passengers was saved.

Cross Suit.—Robert Orrison made oath before Justice Krehan of Birmingham yesterday charging Peter McDonald with assault and battery, and the latter made counter affidavit as set off to one before Alderman McMasters of this city wherein McDonald is plaintiff. Orrison was fined $5 and costs, and Peter he had not been the aggressor, but that the prosecut defendant had caught him by the coat and challenged him to fight and that he fought solely to gratify McDonald, who having been worsted, instituted the proceedings alluded to before Alderman McMasters. Warrant issued.

Mattoon Fund.

The yearly distribution of the interest of this fund by the Mayor and Presidents of Select and Common Councils, was awarded as follows:

Home for destitute men, Duquesne way $250 00
Hospital of the Sisters of Charity, 250 00
Home for Destitute Women, Chatham street 187 50
Cherry Ward Homeopathic Hospital, 187 50

Per one authorized to receipt for the above institutions will call on the Mayor for the above amounts.

"The Lost Arts"

To-night Wendell Phillips will deliver this lecture in Library Hall. He has consented to return to the city at the urgent request of many who failed to hear him during his last visit, and by the courtesy of the lecturer we hear him again. This is considered the orator's masterpiece, and any of our readers who have ever been moved by the matchless eloquence of the man will understand by what that means. It wants no word of comment, and to our readers only a word of advice—Go early.

R. R. Clerks vs. News Reporters.

The clerks at the office of the Pan Handle Railroad have uniformly permitted the reporters of the several newspapers desiring it, to make copies for publication of their manifests of import. They deny that this privilege was refused to *The Paper*, as charged in that journal of the 23d inst., or that other pay was required of the reporters than that of their respective journals, availing themselves of the access allowed to the records of the office. The clerks, however, are changed, and have been treated with courtesy, and has no occasion to ask if the management of the road would be changed in this particular, always glad to learn upon close inquiry that its reporter, and not the clerks of the railroad office, is to blame for the refusal to report. They are ready to justify the clerks in declining to write out copies for the reporter while they attended every faithfully for his doing that service themselves.

Thos Shooting Case.

Miss Ada Earle, the victim in the East Liberty shooting affair at East Liberty, was living last evening, and hopes are now entertained of her recovery. Carson, the colored barber is still in jail awaiting the result of her injuries. He asserts that if the pistol was discharged while in his pocket it was done accidentally, and that he had no intention whatever to attempt to take the life of the girl. Miss Earle, who is now able to converse sensibly, says that she was sitting on a stool from the coat pocket of Carson, but the next instant felt the pain of the pistol ball and remembers no more. She does not think Carson meant to shoot her, and will hardly if properly interrogated, say that he did. Her parents, however, express the belief that Carson had been drinking, went to the place where he was employed and paid himself upon the proof for the amount of his wages, and then went to the house of Carson's employer and related the fact that Carson had been absent for a considerable time by bad news, from some cause, exceedingly low spirited, and seemed thoroughly tired of living.

ALLEGHENY COUNCILS.

Special Meeting Last Night—Additional Police Appointed—Salaries Fixed—The Sweet Railway Muddle—That "Unexpended Balance" Ordinance.

A special meeting of Allegheny Councils was held last evening to finish up old business.

Select Council.

President McBrier in the chair. Members present: Messrs. Hall, Huckenstine, Kirkpatrick, Matthias, Megraw, Moul, Onsler, J. C. Patterson, Alexander Patterson, Phillips, Reineman, Riddle, Schorer, Thompson, McBrier, President.

SWORN IN.

Mr. O. O. Phillips, the member elect from the First ward, who had not yet been sworn in, presented himself before the President, who then administered the oath of office to him.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Unfinished business was then taken up.

A draft of an act of Assembly, approved by C. C., providing for the purchase of property when required for wharfage purposes, and also providing for the improvement of the city wharf, was taken up and S. C. non-concurred therein, and referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings. (See C. C.)

A resolution authorizing the erection of a gas lamp at the northwest corner of Anderson, and North Canal streets, passed in C. C., was non-concurred in by S. C., and referred to the Gas Committee.

MORE POLICE.

The ordinance authorizing the increase of the Police Force by fifteen additional men, passed finally. It was then taken up.

Mr. HALL, chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that the appropriation for the police force had not been made, and that it was not large enough to pay the additional expenses of the department if the force was increased by the fifteen men asked by the committee.

Mr. MEGRAW said Councils had a Contingent Fund, upon which they could draw for the additional expense of the police force.

Mr. A. PATTERSON moved to amend by making the increase ten men.

Mr. SHORER moved to amend the amendment by making the increase five men.

Mr. Shorer's amendment was lost, when the question recurred upon Mr. Patterson's amendment, which was also lost, by a vote of 4 yeas to 11 nays.

Mr. RIDDLE moved to amend by fixing the increase at six men. The yeas and nays were called on this amendment, which resulted in 8 yeas and 7 nays.

So Allegheny is to have half a dozen more policemen.

NEW BUSINESS.

The rules were then suspended and new business taken up.

Mr. A. PATTERSON presented the report of the Survey Committee as follows:

The Committee on Surveys, to whom was referred the report of designating the number of employes in the Engineers office, and fixing the amount of their respective salaries would respectfully report that they had the subject under consideration, and in relation thereto submit an ordinance which authorizes the Engineer to have the following assistants and their salaries:

Assistant in charge of streets $130 per month
" " " 90 " "
Register several office desks 90 " "
One draughtsman 100 " "
One rodman 85 " "

Mr. PHILLIPS moved amendment of the ordinance fixing the salaries of

Assistant in charge of sewers at $100
Register and office clerks 100
Rodman 90

The amendment was adopted, and the ordinance as amended passed finally.

Mr. HALL offered a resolution authorizing the Finance Committee to refurnish the rear room of the Treasurer's office. Passed.

STREET RAILWAYS.

Mr. THOMPSON presented the report of the Committee on Street Railways, reporting that they had had the petition of the Pleasant Valley Railway Company before them asking the right of way over certain streets. The committee changed the route somewhat from that asked for by the company, and report an ordinance giving them the right of way from North avenue to Woods' Run.

The report of the Finance Committee was called to the fact that an effort is now being made by certain parties representing the Allegheny and Manchester Railway Co., to have an act passed by the Legislature giving that company the almost unlimited control of our streets, without first having obtained the consent of Councils. The remonstrance of your bodies has for some reason been ineffectual, and the Committee is afraid of the passage of the act. There is no doubt but Councils should have the entire control of the streets, and the city now begin to consult that right, or they should meet with the most determined opposition of Councils, and the parties engaged therein be severely rebuked, and the following resolution was offered by the Committee:

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the city of Allegheny, that the Senate and House of Representatives be earnestly requested not to pass any bill granting any privilege to the Pittsburgh and Manchester Railway Co., or other railway company, over any of the streets of Allegheny City, unless the consent of Councils shall first have been obtained.

A resolution was also passed instructing the Clerks of Councils to forward a copy of the above resolution to the Senate and House of Representatives, when adopted.

The report was accepted.

The first resolution, after being amended by having the mouth of the Pittsburgh and Manchester Railway Company struck out and inserting "or any Street Railway," was passed.

The second resolution was then taken up.

The ordinance giving the Pleasant Valley Railway Company the right of way over streets from North avenue to Woods' Run, was then taken up.

After considerable exciting discussion the ordinance was adopted.

SMOKE FROM LOCOMOTIVES.

Mr. KIRKPATRICK offered a resolution authorizing the Mayor to instruct the different railroads to quit burning bituminous coal in their engines within the city, and if they did not comply within thirty days, instructing Mayor Calhoun to enforce the ordinance. Passed.

Mr. A. PATTERSON presented a remonstrance against the opening of Smith's alley, also a petition for opening of an alley. Referred to Street Committee.

Mr. CASLEY presented an ordinance prohibiting any person not lawfully appointed a board measurer from measuring boards. Referred to Wharf Commodities.

COLLECTION OF SCHOOL TAXES.

Mr. MCBRIER (Mr. Riddle in the Chair) offered a resolution appointing a committee of five members of Councils to confer with a committee from the Board of School Controllers in relation to the collection of the school taxes. Passed.

Mr. J. C. PATTERSON presented a petition for a gaslamp at the corner of River and Montgomery avenues. Referred to the Gas Committee.

PARK IMPROVEMENT TAXES.

Mr. MCBRIER offered a resolution appointing a joint committee of five to prepare the title of the act of Assembly authorizing the Park Commissioners levy their taxes upon valuation of property exclusive of improvements. Adopted.

Mr. OMELIA presented a petition for water pipes in the Eighth Ward. Referred to Water Committee.

Adjourned.

Common Council.

In the absence of President Slack, upon motion of Mr. Hastings, Mr. McNeill, of the Fourth ward, was called upon to preside.

Members present: Messrs. Ashworth, Brown, Bulsterin, Comley, Cooke, Dalzell, Dean, Gamble, Hall, Hunker, Hastings, Heckel, Knox, McNeill, Roy bottom, Taggart, Voegtly, Walters.

The President stated the meeting had been called to finish up old business.

THE "UNEXPENDED BALANCES."

Mr. COMLEY called up the ordinance relative to "unexpended balances."

Mr. HASTINGS asked if this was in order.

The President decided that as the ordinance was now before the Council when Councils adjourned at the last meeting, it would now come up in order.

Mr. HASTINGS offered a substitute for the ordinance.

Mr. COMLEY objected to the resolution as out of order.

The President decided that Councils could, by a vote, if they so desired, consider the substitute.

Mr. HUNKER moved that the substitute be read. Carried.

THE SUBSTITUTE.

SECTION I. of the substitute provided that the Treasurer of the Board of Education with the City Controller and Treasurer advertise, *when they deemed it advisable*, for bids from banking firms for the deposit of the funds in two depositories to be selected from those bidding, and the same to hold the funds liable to be drawn by checks from the City Treasurer.

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This motion was negatived by a vote of 10 to 8.

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Mr. COMLEY (excitedly)—I am ready to be corrected, but my figures, taken from the Controller's books, show what I have stated. I know, Mr. President, this act of mine is opposed. There is a set of leaders who oppose it, and every office holder in the city opposes it. It was just what was in Pittsburgh when a similar measure was presented. The "rings" opposed it. This measure here is opposed to the same way. The Finance Committee is opposed to it. There are four Bank Directors in that Committee, and the banks are receiving the benefit of this money and the city is not getting a dollar. I don't say that these gentlemen are influenced in their action by the fact that they are Bank Directors. I don't say they are wrong in having the banks have the benefit of this money. I would do the same thing if I was there. But what I want is that the city gets the benefit of it may be well have the interest on this money. But we have to work against Bank Directors, and the City Treasurer, and solicitor and all the office-holders and "leaders," besides an outside pressure. It is this outside pressure which is attempting to kill this thing. I don't think it will succeed though. The people want this act and are bound to have it.

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"ALL HONORABLE MEN."

Mr. DALZELL, of East Birmingham, yesterday, charging Henry Meyer with *forgery, etc.* The parties are residents of the borough of Allentown, and Mary alleges that in September last Meyer, under promise of marriage, compassed her ruin. The defendant was arrested, and after some conversation with the prosecutrix at the Squire's office, concluded that honesty would be the better policy, and agreed to marry her. The ceremony was at once performed, in that felicitous manner peculiar to the genial Justice on similar occasions, after which the couple left the office, if not happy, at least with lighter hearts than when they entered it.

SOUTH SIDE CONSOLIDATION.

Population of the Various Boroughs—Rank of the New City Among the Cities of the State—Committee Appointed to Confer with Pittsburgh Councils—Organization of the Committee.

An adjourned meeting of the Committees appointed by the Councils of the South Side boroughs to devise a scheme of Consolidation was held at the Birmingham Council chamber last night.

On motion of Mr. D. Ihmson the meeting was organized by calling the Hon. Thomas J. Bigham to the chair, and requesting the reporters of the press to act as Secretaries.

Mr. Bigham stated that the object of the meeting was known to all, and therefore there was no necessity for a formal statement, and suggested that the roll of the boroughs be called, when it was found that seven were represented as follows:

Birmingham—William Doyle, George Duncan and Jacob Schwarm.

East Birmingham—Burgess Jenkin Jones and Demenese Ihmson.

Ormsby—Burgess Atkinson.

Mount Washington—Hon. T. J. Bigham, J. Wilbert, Robt. Armstrong.

St. Clair—George Baldauf, and John Spinner.

Allentown—John D. Evans and John Bollinger.

Mr. Jenkin Jones, from the committee appointed at the last meeting to notify the different South Side boroughs, and ask their cooperation, stated that they had notified all the boroughs on the South Side except West Pittsburgh and Temperanceville.

The following statement was presented by Mr. Bigham, showing the populations and taxables of the boroughs proposed to be consolidated:

POPULATION AND TAXABLES.	Population.	Taxables.
Birmingham	8,695	1,853
East Birmingham	9,489	2,403
Ormsby	2,225	349
Lower St. Clair, estimated	2,261	556
South Pittsburgh	3,095	997
Monongahela	1,153	276
West Pittsburgh	2,095	696
Temperanceville	478	129
Union	1,335	329
Mount Washington	1,988	471
Allentown	772	200
	35,285	8,767
Pittsburgh	86,255	25,930
Total	121,540	34,797

Mr. Bigham also presented a statement showing the population of the cities named below, from which it will be seen that if consolidation is accomplished the South Side city will rank as fifth in regard to population in the State.

Philadelphia	657,179
Pittsburgh	86,255
Allegheny	43,185
Scranton	26,262
South Side	35,285

Mr. Bigham suggested that if anything were done in the matter that the draft of the ordinance be prepared and submitted to the Legislature for immediate passage.

Burgess Aughinbaugh, of Birmingham, being called upon, was asked to read the bill prepared by him for presentation to the Legislature last year, but which was not presented for the reason that petitions had been circulated against its passage.

Mr. Bigham then called for reports from the boroughs in their geographical order.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES.

St. Clair—Mr. Baldauf stated that the people of his borough knew nothing about the subject, and that he and his colleagues came to this meeting for information.

Allentown—Mr. Bollinger reported that the people were opposed to consolidation in any form; that he was a new borough, and that they would prefer to act alone for a time.

Birmingham—Mr. Duncan reported that there was a decided opposition in Birmingham to consolidation with Pittsburgh, but that they were in favor of consolidation with one or two, or all the boroughs. Mr. Doyle was in favor of consolidation with the South Side, but with Pittsburgh.

East Birmingham—Burgess Jones reported that a great number of the citizens were in favor of the consolidation of the South Side, and some with Pittsburgh. Mr. Ihmson reported that they were in favor of consolidation on the South Side, but were in favor of not be pursuaded to consolidate with Pittsburgh.

Mount Washington—Mr. Wilbert reported that the feeling was in favor of consolidating with Pittsburgh. Mr. Bigham made a similar report, but stated that he was in favor of separate consolidation as a preliminary measure. He thought, if for no other purpose, that the city ought first to be consulted in relation to reference to police, fire apparatus, streets, etc.

Mr. Auchinbaugh favored consolidation on the ground that without it they would still be subject to the annoyances that have heretofore retarded improvement.

Mr. Doyle said he understood that South Pittsburgh was in favor of consolidation with Pittsburgh, but was opposed to a South Side City, and moved that a committee of one from each borough on the South Side be appointed to confer with a committee of Pittsburgh Councils in regard to consolidation with Birmingham and East Birmingham to be entitled to one representative from each election district. Carried.

Burgess Atkinson, of Ormsby, stated that he was not authorized to speak, but said that he believed the people of his borough were favorable to the consolidation with Pittsburgh, but that they were not favorable to a consolidation of the South Side boroughs as a separate city.

Burgess Jones of East Birmingham thought that the subject should be looked at from an economical point of view, as for his part he thought it would be cheaper to consolidate with Pittsburgh at once and thereby save the expense of a separate incorporated city.

Mr. Bigham stated that he had had a conversation with the Mayor of Pittsburgh and other prominent citizens yesterday afternoon, and that they expressed themselves as still favorable to an enlargement of the city by the consolidation of the South Side boroughs.

The following committee was then announced:

East Birmingham—Messrs. Ihmsen and Jones.

Birmingham—Messrs. Doyle and Schwarm.

Ormsby—Burgess Atkinson.

St. Clair—Mr. Spindler.

Allentown—Messrs. Jones.

Mt. Washington—Hon. Thos. J. Bigham.

South Pittsburgh—Burgess Hamilton.

Monongahela—Richard Perry.

West Pittsburgh—Ward Sprung.

Temperanceville—J. W. Ballentine.

Union borough being unrepresented, no member of the committee from that district was named.

On motion adjourned to give the committee an opportunity to consult as to their plan of action.

ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE.

The committee then organized by appointing Mr. T. J. Bigham chairman and Mr. D. Ihmsen secretary.

After considerable informal discussion of the object of their appointment they agreed to notify the members who were not present, and adjourned to meet in the Councils Room, Pittsburgh City Engineer on Monday next, at two o'clock P. M.

METEOROLOGICAL RECORD.

Observations Made by the Storm Signal Service of the United States Army.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 23, 1871.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Height of Barometer	30.43	30.19	30.21
Change since last report	+02	— 23	+02
Temperature	24°	41°	35°
Change in last 24 hours	+11°	+20°	+18°
Direction of wind	E	S.	E.
Velocity of wind—miles per hour	2	6	8
Pressure of wind—pounds per square foot	0.02	0.18	0.32
Force of wind reduced to Beaufort scale—approx	A	B	B
Amount of clouds	10	10	10
Rain-fall since last report—inches and hths	0.03		
State of weather	3	2	1

NOTES—In the telegraphic reports, only the variations of the barometer are given. The last reports given decrease being marked here by and throughout the table by the minus sign.

Characters of the weather designated in the indications sent by letters of the alphabet, as follows: A, just perceptible; B, gently brisk; C, pleasant brisk; D, strong; E, very strong; F, high wind; G, strong gale; H, violent gale; I, hurricane; J, most violent hurricane.

Character of the clouds designated by figures from 1 to 6: 1 being clear, no cloud; 2, fair, ¼ to ¼ cloud; 3, cloudy, ½ to wholly covered; 4, light rain; 5, heavy rain; 6, snow.

The barometer is corrected for temperature, elevation and instrumental error.

HENRY D. SCHMIDT, Observer.

Amusements.

THE NEW OPERA HOUSE last night contained a large and brilliant audience on the occasion of the presentation of the standard opera of the Huguenots, which was admirably well placed on the stage by the English Combination Opera Company. To-night Der Freischutz will be placed on the boards with a powerful cast. A matinee to-morrow afternoon, and in the evening Bohemian Girl and Oberos will conclude the season, which has been remarkably brilliant and successful.

OPERA HOUSE "Paris" to-night will be presented on the occasion of Lydia Thompson's benefit. Her engagement with the brilliant troupe of burlesquers has been in every way pleasing and profitable one all around. Paris is said to be the best burlesque that they present, to a large audience may be expected. To-morrow afternoon a grand matinee will be held.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Manager Aims at Trimbles' Variety Theatre on Penn avenue is doing an immense business, and he deserves his success for he is supplying his patrons with a fine variety programme which abounds in dramatic worth, song music, mirth and dancing. A rare good bill is offered to-night. One of the members charged that the Sergeant had seen several of them at the Governor's office, but made no effort to arrest them. After renewed instructions to the Sergeant and his assistants, the Senate adjourned till tomorrow. Nothing of general interest transpired in the House. The supreme Court testimony closed in the *quo warranto* case, and counsel for the Lieutenant Governor submitted the case without arguments.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Severe Weather on the Coast—Shipping Disaster.

[By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—The storm was very severe along the coast. Several coasters were wrecked and many damaged. Horatio Butler, second officer of the schooner Wm. Ireland, was washed overboard off Punta Reyes and drowned. Much anxiety is felt for the safety of the steamer Idaho, four days overdue from the mouth of the Columbia River. The steamers Arizaba and Wm. Faber, from San Diego, are also somewhat overdue. The lines to Oregon and Southern California are down. It is raining throughout the State

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, February 23 Flour scarce; superfine $6.50; XX $7; XXX $7.25@7.50. Corn dearer; yellow and white 72c. Bran and hay unchanged. Meal pork easier, $23.25. Bacon and and lard unchanged. Sugar: prime 9¾@ 9¾c; choice 10@10½c. Molasses dull; prime 46@51c. Coffee dull; fair 14@14.50. Coffee 15¾@ 15¾c. Sterling exchange 111½; New York ¼ discount; gold 111¾.

Nashville.

NASHVILLE, February 23.—Cotton dull: low middling 13c. Bulk meats: at 8¾ 11¾ 11¾c. Packed bacon clear sides 12½c. Hams 13¾c. Shoulders 10c. Sugar cured hams 16½c. Lard 13c. Corn 70c. Oats 65c, Flour $5.00@ 5.60

—A disastrous fire occurred in Savannah on the night of the 22d, destroying Hodgson's Block. Loss about $250,000, partly covered by insurance.

—Hon. Lee Claflin, father of Governor Claflin, died at Boston yesterday, aged seventy-nine.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

Boy Killed in a Rolling Mill.

An inquest was held by Coroner West yesterday on the body of a lad named Joseph Rogers, son of Esquire Joseph Rogers of West Pittsburgh, who was killed at the rolling mill of Messrs. Painter & Son on Wednesday evening under the following circumstances:

Young Rogers has for some time been employed on the "day turn" at the small rolls in that mill. On Wednesday afternoon, when quitting time came he went home, changed his clothing, ate his supper and returned to the mill, where he was joined by one or two comrades. They spent some time in various kinds of sport about the mill. At length young Rogers, in the course of the sport, attempted, for some purpose, to pass a board three or four feet long under the swiftly moving belt that runs one pair of the rolls. The loose end of the belt struck the end of the board, and threw the other end with great violence against the boy's abdomen. He fell to the ground in agony. His elder brother, who had taken his place at the rolls ran to him and with the assistance of some of the workmen, carried the writhing boy to his father's house, 59 Carson street. Drs. Hays and Rogers were summoned, but the unfortunate boy was dead before either physician reached him. He lived in great agony for about half an hour after the accident, and before he died, made a statement, the points of which we give above. On examination of the body, no marks whatever were found upon it. The injuries had been wholly internal. The jury rendered a verdict of accidental death.

The deceased is represented to have been a remarkably intelligent and exemplary youth, and the affliction of the bereaved family is largely shared. The funeral will take place this afternoon.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were admitted of record yesterday in the office of Thomas H. Hunter, Recorder for Allegheny county:

John C. Brown to Christopher Hankerd, November 2, 1870; lot No. 273 and 274 in John Brown's plan of lots, borough of St. Clair $600

Wesley Mains to Logan Mains, October 22, 1870; lots Nos. 12 and 13 in plan of lots of Watson Mains, in North Versailles township, with buildings $560

Jacob Doolittle to William Ewing, April 7, 1870; lots 4, 5, and 6 in plan of lots of Jacob Doolittle, in Lincoln township, with buildings $1,500

Isaac Hoak to Margaret Hoak, June 6, 1870; 50 acres of land in Fawn township $500

John Boswell to Rev. Matthew Carroll, June 6, 1870; 61 by 140 feet on Beaver avenue, Sewickley City $5,000

Philip Goede to John Kurz, Dec. 12, 1870; lot No. 30 in plan of lots of Gen. Gustine's addition to the said town, Pittsburgh $1,000

David S. Anderson to Patrick Creighton, Philadelphia, January 2, 1871; 9 acres 45 p rches of land in Lect t wnship, with buildings $2,329 21

A. J. Lane to John S. Davison, February 15, 1871; Lot No. 7, on H. R. Negley's plan of lots, Nineteenth ward, Pittsburgh, with buildings $2,500

R. D. Snow's executors to Michael Boughner, Feb. 11, 1871; lot No. 17, in Curling and Robertson's plan of lots, Twelfth ward, Pittsburgh, with buildings $4,000

James Adams to John Adams, September 1, '70; 16 by 24 feet on Boyle street, Third ward, Alleghe ny city, with buildings $2,750

Henry Dietz to Antonina Spath, January 11, 1871; 48 by 150 feet on East street, Second ward, Allegheny, with buildings $2,750

James Hong to James Gallagher, August 24, 1870; 44 by 100 feet on Union street, Seventh ward, Allegheny city, with buildings $1,000

Suchanan.

The following uncalled for letters remain at the Buchanan Postoffice, February 24, 1871. Please ask for advertised letters, giving the date of the list.

Armstrong	Maggie	Ford Adeline	Osborn Wm
Bord Amanda		Fielding Isabel	Piper Philip
Down Tillie		Finch Mrs	Price Wm
Barnes Mrs		Fleckenstein L	Quaide
Barnstoot Jas		Fisher Geo	Fisher Geo (teller)
Bahr Sophia		Cleary Alice	Price Dr S
Bancroft Annie		Tra Cleary	Phillips Wm A
Bouston Phebe		Gray John W	Page Mary
Bowser George		Hanks Samuel	Page Emanuel
Bannard Annie		Harry A S	Paisley Mrs David
Boyle Annie		Hann Jas	Rumsey Sadie
Brewer Libbie		Hammond S	Richinson W T
Bechtold Amos		Hawthorn J E	Rall Fred
Bell Jas		Harr Daniel	Reed Jessie
Banks Mrs Jos		Stempling Kate	Reed John W
Beck John		Hughes Mrs H	Rupp Susie
Boden Maria		Hughes Elizab'h	Smith S G
Boden Hanna		Husher S C	Smith John
Brickell F D		Hemming H	Smith John MD
Best Joseph		Herod Mary A	Smith Mrs R
Bess George		Hasburn Jane	Shepard D
Corbett D H		Hartman Jno W	Shepard Jas
Campbell Ida		Hartman M s M	Shepard H
Cunningham		Hartman Mrs A	Shepard H
Carraban Mary A		Johnson Jas	Schrader Geo H
Collins Stephen		Johnson Mrs L	Schaney John
Camp Ellen		Miller Lizzie	Schrader Geo H
Copeland Wm		Miller Frank	Stattery Ed
Coleman A Bro		Miller Mrs A	Snyder Ed
Clark Amanda M		Miller Mrs J	Snyder Margaret
Clark Mrs Mary		Morgan David	Sorer Thos
Doran A W		Morgan David W	Sterner Mrs R
Doyle Henry		Martin John L	Steiner S
Davis Elizabeth		McCabe Alex	Thomas John
Donovan D		McGuire Ed	Williams R
Draper J		Nicholas Mary	Wilkinson J H
Evans Maggie		Nicholas Mary	Walker B
		Nimon Geo	

P. HOERR, P. M.

Gratitude to Dr. Hall.

I have been sick over three years. I doctored with several prominent doctors in Pittsburgh and continued to fail. I then went to New York, and doctored with two principal physicians in Brooklyn for four months, and got nothing done. I returned to Pittsburgh and went into the hospital for six weeks. They told me they could do nothing for me; I must surely die; that I could live till April last; sent me out as incurable. I consulted other physicians and they said I could not live over one day. I was recommended to Dr. Hall, of Third street, who commenced to treat me at once, saying he could cure me. I am now enjoying good health, and my age, which has been troubled with ulcers for over twenty years, is healed up. I had a fine little property I was taken sick, and which I have since lost, before I knew Dr. Hall. Shall I not be able to reward him. I trust he will be rewarded in a better world.

Allentown, off the Brownsville road, on Mr. Robison's roads, about half mile from the Monongahela bridge.

THOMAS ARBOTT.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 22d day of February, A.D. 1871.

W. N. PAXTON, Notary Public.

THE RIVERS.

CINCINNATI, February 23.—River twenty-eight inches and stationary. Weather warm. Arrived—Major Anderson from Wheeling; Washington from Louisville; Keystone from Nashville.

No departures besides the regular packets.

LOUISVILLE, February 23.—River stationary with seven feet ten inches water in Indiana chute, nine feet ten inches in canal and six feet nine inches in the dock. Weather clear and pleasant. Mercury 6 degrees. Levee dull. Arrived—Alaska, Silver Moon from Cincinnati; Armadillo from New Orleans; C. B. Church. Departed—Alaska for New Orleans; Silver Moon for Memphis; Armadillo, C. B. Church for Cincinnati. The Deamond brought eleven boats of coal to be taken to New Orleans by the Wm. Cowan. The Ben Ann left for New Orleans with ten boats of coal. A large number of boats with tows for the South are expected during the next two days.

CAIRO, February 23.—The Salver, Memphis to St. Louis at 9 A. M.; Arkansas Belle, Evansville packet, at 9; Fred Kyle, Memphis to St. Louis at 1; Patomac, New Orleans to Louisville, at 2; Nightingale, Arkansas River to Cincinnati, at 3; Belle of Pittsburgh, New Orleans to Cincinnati to Pittsburgh; Mollie Evert, New Orleans to Pittsburgh at 11; St. Mar